



**Steel Valley
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Advisory Board Meeting Minutes November 16, 2022 at 6:00 PM Zoom Meeting



SEWN

ATTENDANCE

Board:	Clairton	
	Duquesne	
	East Pittsburgh	Tom Michlovic
	Glassport	
	Homestead	Charles Bennett
	McKeesport	Lori Schmidt
	Munhall	
	Pittsburgh	Rob Witherell
	Rankin	
	Swissvale	Amy Starrett
	Turtle Creek	
	West Homestead	

Proxy Votes: David Perla (Chair)

Staff: Tom Croft; Bob Value; Carrie Mihalko

Solicitor: Jay Hornack

Guests: Tom Bartnik

Chairperson Schmidt called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. allowing all members to login.

PROXY VOTE REVIEW

Staff member Carrie Mihalko conducted roll call. Quorum was met with attendees and proxies.

MINUTES

Copies of the minutes were made available in member packets.

The minutes of the September 21, 2022 meeting were approved on motion by Rob Witherell and seconded by Chuck Bennett. The motion passed unanimously by members Michlovic, Bennett, Schmidt, Witherell, and Starrett, with no abstentions.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Lori discussed the need for additional members and a Chair for the Development Committee. Election for officers will be held at the February 2023 meeting.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Bob Value provided an overview of the financials. There was also a call to accept the Financial Policies of the SVA for 2023.

The Finance Committee report and Financial Policies were approved on a motion by Amy Starrett and seconded by Chuck Bennett. The motion passed unanimously by members Michlovic, Bennett, Schmidt, Witherell, and Starrett, with no abstentions.

SECRETARY REPORT

Amy Starrett highlighted correspondence which was provided in advance to all members.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Tom Michlovic would like to discuss the Collective Bargaining Agreement, but this will need to be done in Executive Session at the end of the meeting without staff present.

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A fundraiser will tentatively be held in 2023. Since there is no chair, we will be asking for volunteers to help with the event.

PROGRAM/TECH REVIEW COMMITTEE

An update on the resolution still not being resolved with the City of Pittsburgh was provided. Since this issue has been long running, the board will need to do some heavy recruiting for new members. All members were asked to provide referrals to Carrie Mihalko.

STAFF REPORTS

Tom Croft provided the Executive Director Report noting the following highlights:

- Meeting to bring together the DOE/MP4MA
- SEWN RFP for the next 3 years
- Transition team for Governor-Elect Shapiro
- Fellowship
- Open letter to Biden to restore the ESG rule
- ARC funding for the Finance Hub
- Letters of support for the SVA

Bob Value provided the following highlights on SEWN:

- Currently have 13 SEWN clients
- Uptick happening in the private sector
- Insights from colleagues in the field

Carrie Mihalko reiterated the need for new board members, website & marketing updates, and distributed a sponsorship form to all members.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution for approval of the 2023 SVA Budget.

The Resolution was approved on a motion by Tom Michlovic and seconded by Rob Witherell. The motion passed unanimously by members Michlovic, Bennett, Schmidt, Witherell, and Starrett, with no abstentions.

The formal meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.