

First Suburbs Consortium December 1, 2021 Meeting Minutes

NEXT MEETING: January 26, 2022
Hosted by the City of Moraine

In attendance were:

REPRESENTATIVES/ALTERNATES

Willis Serr (Centerville)	Jeanette Marcus (Moraine)
Joanne Rau (Centerville)	Ora Allen (Moraine)
Kenny Henning (Clayton)	Brenda Fry (Riverside)
Danielle Bradley (Harrison Twp)	April Franklin (Riverside)
Georgeann Godsey (Harrison Twp)	Dale Berry (Washington Twp)
Brooks Compton (Centerville)	Yvette Page (Trotwood)
Richard Shaw (Huber Heights)	Ron Vaughn (Trotwood)
Bruce Duke (Kettering)	Bill Lautar (Kettering)
Steve Byington (Oakwood)	

OTHER

Jack Jensen, Executive Director
Jay Weiskircher (Mayors/Managers)
Mark Engert (Centerville Councilman)
Dr. Nick Weldy, MVCTC

Bill Serr chaired the meeting and thanked Centerville for hosting this meeting at Yankee Trace.

Bruce Compton gave an update on what is happening in Centerville.

Dr. Weldy, Miami Valley CTC, spoke on the importance of training our workforce for “now”. Not enough young people coming into the workforce creating a need to retrain those that have not been trained. Career technical education focuses on practice by doing. They learn by doing. We have 60% of our students going on to secondary training. Our graduation rate has been 98.7%. We have 40 separate programs. We have approximately 750 students on campus and are building to have 1350. We have 5 airplanes, 15 semis, a 230acre farm. Our high school students leave by 3pm and adults use the campus until 10pm. Those who have dropped out of college are coming back to acquire a skill. Partnering with businesses who share their knowledge, offering apprenticeship programs. We have to learn how to get them into the workforce quicker. For each student that comes to us we receive \$10,000 per student if they are under open enrollment. If it is not open enrollment we would receive \$8,000 of the \$10,000. When a student goes to a charter school the charter school gets \$10,000. Do you have CAT logistics? We have robotics and automation and transportation systems.

A motion by Bill Lauter and seconded by Bruce Duke to approve the June and October meeting minutes – Approved.

Jack Jensen gave the Treasurers report showing a balance of \$26,707.37 at the end of October. – Motion was made by Bruce Duke, seconded by Bill Lauter to accept the June through October financials. Accepted.

A thank you for the outstanding performance of Bruce Duke in raising funds for the conference.

Nominating Committee reported the proposed officers for next year:

Bill Serr, as Chair; Yvette Page, Vice Chair; Georgeann Godsey, Secretary, Rick Barnhart, Treasurer and Brenda Fry as Member at Large. Nominations were closed and the above officers were voted in.

The 2022 budget was presented by Jack Jensen. Basically the three major items, allocating \$2,000 to a retreat with the Township, \$3,000 for the Talent Acquisition Project; and \$4,000 for registration to the NLC or OML conferences. We will also reinstate the \$300 annual dues.

A motion and second to approve the dues was passed. A motion by Steve Byington and seconded by April Franklin to accept the budget was made and passed.

Bill appointed the following Financial Review committee: Jeanette Marcus, Ron Vaughn and Brenda Fry agreed to serve on this committee.

Bruce reported on the conference and the TIP report has been sent to members. We had about 35 people who have met about five times since the conference. We are working with Jobs Ohio and Dayton Development Coalition to attract and retain talent. There are many programs out there – thus we feel we need to get everyone under the same umbrella.

Richard Shaw will be serving as the Vice Chair of the Community Ec. Development for the National League of Cities. Our event was presented at the National League of Cities conference. Bruce Duke is on the Board of National League of Cities. There is an ARP tracker that will tell you specifically where to go to see if your community is eligible for funding. There is also an infra-structure tracker available.

Next meeting will be in Moraine.

This is Bill Lauter's last meeting – and we thank him for his years of service.

Kenny Henning moved and Bruce Duke seconded a motion to adjourn – Adjourned.

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Approved: February 23, 2022