



Development District Association of Appalachia

DDAA ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2014 CRYSTAL GATEWAY MARRIOTT ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA

MINUTES

DDAA President Sherry McDavid called the meeting to order at 12:45 p.m. and welcomed those present. She mentioned the large crowd due to lunch and stated this was the first Annual Membership meeting she had attended without Tom Hunter present.

President McDavid introduced Appalachian Regional Commission Interim Director Charlie Howard. Mr. Howard expressed appreciation to those in attendance. He introduced the DDAA Officers and complimented them, along with other Board members upon a successful year. He then welcomed all LDD Executive Directors especially new ones. He expressed appreciation for Tom Hunter, who he mentioned had retired after 20 years of service with the ARC. He mentioned that ARC is currently in the process of finding a new Executive Director. He stated that FY'2014 Appropriations for ARC are at \$80.3 million with \$10.0 million for broadband projects in coal impact areas. He stated that grant contracts have gone out last week and this week and payments will follow shortly. Mr. Howard mentioned that the 50th anniversary of the ARC will be March 9, 2015 and he spoke of the role of the LDDs in making ARC a success over the years. He then presented a PowerPoint presentation about ARC with data about the programs impact in FY'2013.

Mr. Guy Land, ARC Chief of Staff, spoke some about Tom Hunter as well and stated he was glad Charlie Howard agreed to serve as Interim Director. Mr. Land introduced Earl Gohl, ARC Federal Co-Chairman and Jim Byer, Alabama Governor Bentley's alternate. Mr. Land mentioned that Cameron Whitman was no longer the States' Washington Representative and the states have advertised for the position and will be selecting someone in the Spring of 2014. He mentioned the FY'2014 ARC appropriation of \$80.3 million with \$10 million going to the coal impacted areas of central Appalachia and discussed the President's FY'2015 budget level request for ARC of \$68.2 million which would include level funding for the LDDs. He stated that time year's budget bill took a lot of uncertainty out of the FY'2015 appropriations. He stated that ARC is part of the Energy and Water bill in the House and stated that there was an amendment offered last year to eliminate ARC is likely to come up again this year but he feels ARC is in pretty good standing for FY'2015.

Regarding ARC reauthorization, Mr. Land felt that it looks more favorable to happen this year. He stated MAP-21 will expire in the fall of 2014 and feels a new bill will not pass but instead an extension of the existing bill will be approved. He then spoke of all the interagency program cooperation going on in Washington DC and stated he has never seen this level of cooperation. He mentioned that 4 LDDs are a part of Make it in America Challenge Grants that were funded and stated that all applications for Livable Communities had an LDD as a partner. Lastly, Mr. Land advised that 2 initiatives that will be forthcoming are the Made in Rural America Initiative and an export initiative as well.

President McDavid called the meeting to order and asked for approval of the agenda. Eric Bridges/Pennsylvania made a motion to approve the agenda and Misty Casto/Ohio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. McDavid then asked for approval of the minutes of the 2013 Annual Meeting. Danny Lewis/Georgia made a motion to approve the minutes and Mike Patrick/Kentucky seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Steve Pelissier/South Carolina presented the Treasurer's Report to the membership and gave a brief history of the DDAA Treasurer position. The DDAA is in sound financial condition. He provided a copy of the FY2014 Annual Budget status and the proposed FY2015 Annual Budget. Mr. Pelissier's financial report and the FY2015 proposed budget were reviewed and recommended for approval by the DDAA Board of Directors earlier in the day. Supporting the recommendation of the Board of Directors, Susan Reid/Tennessee made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and the FY'2015 DDAA Proposed budget and Rudy Johnson/Mississippi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. **(See Attachment 1).**

Training Committee Chair Misty Casto/Ohio thanked Dan Neff for all he does to make the Annual Conference happen and named all of the Training Committee members. Ms Casto discussed the upcoming Professional Development Conference agenda and also discussed the SERDI New Executive Directors' Training event. She advised that scholarships would be available through DDAA for any Executive Director who had been in their position less than 3 years at a DDAA member district. She also mentioned that DDAA will be co-sponsoring the NADO Economic Development Finance Service and Rural Transportation Planning Conference in Cincinnati, Ohio in December 2014.

President Sherry McDavid/Kentucky then introduced Mr. Danny Lewis/Georgia, Immediate Past President, who presented the slate of officers for the upcoming year. They include:

President	-	Misty Casto
1 st Vice President	-	Jim Dove
2 nd Vice President	-	John Hemmings
Secretary	-	Richard Zink
Treasurer	-	Steve Pelissier

Mr. Lewis made a motion that the slate of officers be approved and Susan Reid/Tennessee seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

President Sherry McDavid/Kentucky called for nominations from each state to serve on the DDAA Board of Directors for a one-year term. They are:

Alabama	-	Keith Jones
Georgia	-	Danny Lewis
Kentucky	-	Mike Patrick
Maryland	-	Leanne Mazer
Mississippi	-	Rudy Johnson
New York	-	Eric Miller
North Carolina	-	Ryan Sherby
Ohio	-	John Hemmings
Pennsylvania	-	Eric Bridges
South Carolina	-	Steve Pelissier
Tennessee	-	Susan Reid
Virginia	-	Jim Baldwin
West Virginia	-	Michele Craig

A motion to accept the nominations for membership on the Board of Directors for 2014-20154 was made by Danny Lewis/Georgia and seconded by Misty Casto/Ohio, and passed unanimously.

With no other business to come before the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 pm.

FY 2014 DDAA ANNUAL BUDGET

APPROVED MARCH 10, 2013, AMENDED JANUARY 12, 2014

REVENUES:

Dues	54,750
ARC Training Contract	45,000
Annual Conference	75,000
Carryover	117,716
TOTAL REVENUES:	292,466

EXPENSES:

Board Meetings	20,000
Officer Travel	2,000
ARC Training	97,700
Annual Conference	85,000
Website	2,000
Legal/Accounting	800
Bank Service Fees	80
Printing/Postage	250
Unallocated	84,636
TOTAL EXPENSES:	292,466

DIFFERENCE: 0

**DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF APPALACHIA
FY14 as of 02/28/2014**

July 1, 2013 Balance		42,280.89
Revenues		
a) 6/30/13 Receivables	0.00	
b) FY14 Revenues	<u>150,579.98</u>	
Total Revenues:		150,579.98
Less: Expenditures		-55,311.30
February 28, 2014 Balance		<u><u>137,549.57</u></u>
Revenues	Budget	Actual
Dues	54,750.00	54,750.00
ARC Training	45,000.00	4,115.00
Annual Conference	75,000.00	0.00
Reimbursements	0.00	1,714.98
Misc.	0.00	0.00
Carryover	<u>117,716.00</u>	<u>90,000.00</u>
TOTAL	<u><u>292,466.00</u></u>	<u><u>150,579.98</u></u>
Expenditures	Budget*	Actual
Board Meetings	20,000.00	15,745.88
Officer Travel	2,000.00	0.00
ARC Training	97,700.00	36,500.35
Annual Conference	85,000.00	0.00
Website	2,000.00	1,528.00
Legal/Acct.	800.00	200.00
Printing/Postage/Phone	250.00	96.60
Misc.	0.00	1,240.47
Bank Charges	80.00	0.00
Unallocated	<u>84,636.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL	<u><u>292,466.00</u></u>	<u><u>55,311.30</u></u>
Revenues Less Expenditures:		95,268.68
02/28/14 Receivables:		0.00
NET AVAILABLE		<u><u>95,268.68</u></u>
*Budget as amended January 12, 2014		

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**FY2015 PROPOSED DDAA ANNUAL BUDGET
PRESENTED MARCH 23, 2013⁴**

REVENUES:

Dues	54,750
ARC Training Contract	45,000
Annual Conference	75,000
Carryover	84,836
TOTAL REVENUES:	<u>259,586</u>

EXPENSES:

Board Meetings	20,000
Officer Travel	2,000
ARC Training	98,000
Annual Conference	95,000
Website	2,000
Legal/Accounting	1,000
Bank Service Fees	80
Printing/Postage	250
Unallocated	41,256
TOTAL EXPENSES:	<u>259,586</u>

DIFFERENCE: 0