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MINUTES COLUMBIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 4, 2021

One Hudson City Centre

Suite 301

Hudson, New York

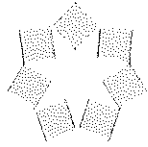
A regularly scheduled meeting of Columbia Economic Development Corporation's (CEDC) Workforce Development and Education Committee was held via Zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic on March 4, 2021 at 8:35 am.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived/ Departed
Ruth Adams	Committee Member	Present via Zoom	
Russell Bartolotta	Committee Member	Excused	
David Fingar	Committee Member	Excused	
Tish Finnegan	Committee Member	Excused	
Derek Grout	Committee Member	Present via Zoom	
James Lapenn	Committee Chair	Present via Zoom	
John Lee	Committee Member	Present via Zoom	
Carlee Drummer	Board Member	Present Via Zoom	
F. Michael Tucker	President/CEO	Present via Zoom	
Andy Howard	Counsel	Present via Zoom	
Lauren Cranna	Business Development Partner	Present via Zoom	
Lisa Drahushuk	Administrative Supervisor	Present via Zoom	
Martha Lane	Business Development Director	Present via Phone	
Erin McNary	Bookkeeper	Present via Zoom	
Cat Lyden	Bookkeeper/Administrative Assistant	Present via Zoom	
Ileana Morales	Marketing Specialist	Present via Zoom	

The meeting began without a quorum.

Career Jam:

Mr. Tucker gave an overview of the project to date, noting the principals were currently organizing three events, including Capital Region BOCES and the Saratoga BOCES, as well as the Columbia Greene event. 7 companies have agreed to participate. Mr. Tucker anticipates 15-30 businesses in Columbia County and Greene County will sign up. All but 3 schools in Columbia and Greene County have responded. Career Jam will take place on April 14, 2021. Mr. Tucker suggested that Ms. Lane



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& Ms. Cranna look at their client portfolio and reach out to their clients to get them to participate in this.

Coding Initiative:

Mr. Tucker stated the program generated significant interest in the program especially in the City of Hudson. He noted that partnering with the Workforce Investment Board would be vital to CEDC's participation.

At 8:39am a quorum was obtained.

Minutes:

Ms. Adams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to approve the minutes from January 14, 2021. Carried.

Mr. Lapenn asked board if they reviewed the 2020 Confidential Board Evaluation. There was no comments and the report was to be entered into minutes.

Ms. Drummer stated how she was disappointed that the Career Jam is virtual and not on campus but hopes it will be back on campus in 2022, but noted that the virtual presentation of it was sophisticated.

With no public present and no further comments, Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Ms. Adams, to adjourn the meeting at 9:01am.

Respectfully submitted by Cathy Lyden