

## IOWA CITY DOWNTOWN DISTRICT

### Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: April 29, 2015

Voting Members Present: Catherine Champion, Kevin Digmann, George Etre, Ritu Jain, Kent Jehle, David Kieft, Karen Kubby, Patty McCarthy, Bill Nusser, Joni Schrup, Naftaly Stramer

Non-Voting Members Present: Steve Boyd, Wendy Ford, Nicole Neal, Kate Moreland, Josh Schamberger

**Member Guests:** Marc Moen

Staff Present: Nancy Bird, Betsy Potter, Nate Kaeding

Voting Members Absent with Notice: Mark Ginsberg, Steve Pajunen, Mark Weaver

#### 1. **Call to Order**

President George Etre called the meeting to order at a special location, the Old Capitol Center Conference Room

*A quorum of 11 of 14 voting members was present.*

#### 2. **Member Open Forum**

Nancy Bird welcomed Nate Kaeding to the Iowa City Downtown District and reported that he has hit the ground running in his new position.

#### 3. **Approval of March 2015 Minutes**

Patty McCarthy noted that a 2<sup>nd</sup> was needed for the vote in #4 on page 2. Joni Schrup also noted that she was absent from the March meeting. Patty moved to approve the minutes with the addition of the amendments. Ritu Jain seconded. *The motion passed 11-0.*

#### 4. **Finance Report**

Betsy summarized the Top Chef event. Discussion followed regarding the need for any possible changes to the event for next year. Kent Jehle reviewed the financial reports. Kent moved to approve the financial reports. David Kieft seconded. *The motion passed 11-0.*

Kent suggested that the Board take some time to discuss the budget for FY 2016. The budget as it stands shows a deficit. After much discussion, it was decided that the Finance Committee and staff will come back with changes for next month's Board meeting.

#### 5. **Reauthorization Discussion**

Nancy updated the Board on the SSMID Reauthorization Petition document changes. There was much discussion related to whether the ICDD was collecting the full SSMID funding to date. Nancy will continue to work with the City to ensure that the City is honoring the terms set forth in the petition.

Karen Kubby moved (Part #1) to approve removing the designated Seat #13 from the Petition so that Seat # 14 would now become Seat #13, resulting in a decrease of future Board seats from

25 to 24 and (Part #2) to expand the SSMID boundary to include the entire UAY property. Bill Nusser seconded. *The motion passed 11-0.*

The petition will be put in front of the board again next month for a full vote on the language and boundary map.

Nancy reported on the progress of the Valet Parking pilot program which begins in May. David Kieft moved to approve the Valet pilot Program. Ritu Jain seconded. *Motion passed 14-0.*

7. **Ex-Officio Updates**

Wendy Ford agreed to look into the terms of the SSMID petition on behalf of the City. David reported on the UI building projects that are progressing in a timely manner. Nicole Neal reported on the various events keeping students busy until the end of the academic year.

8. **Board Reminders/Announcements – Adjourn**

Patty moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ritu Jain. Motion passed 10-0.

Respectfully submitted by Joni Schrup, Secretary