

MEETING MINUTES
GULF COAST ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
July 13, 2018

ATTENDANCE ROSTER

The following members of Board of Director of the Gulf Coast Economic Development District attended all or a portion, either in-person, by phone, or by proxy, of the July 13, 2018 Board meeting:

Matagorda County Representative Michael Ferdinand
Texas City Representative Nick Finan
Austin County Representative Dianna Grobe
Chambers County Representative Guy Robert Jackson
Regional Principal Economic Interests Representative Marlon D. Mitchell
Private Sector Representative Mike Rozell
Galveston Representative Jeffery Sjostrom
Montgomery Representative Danielle Scheiner
Waller Representative Vince Yokom
Regional Principal Economic Interests Representative Chad Burke
Harris Representative Annie Yang
Wharton County Representative Chad Odum
Regional Principal Economic Interests Representative Jason Ford
Regional Principal Economic Interests Representative Frank Jordan
Liberty County Representative Dennis Beasley
City of Houston Gwen Tillotson
City of Waller John Isom
Brandon Willis
Gary Basinger

The following members of the Gulf Coast Economic Development District Board were not marked in attendance at the July 13, 2018 Board meeting:

Regional Principal Economic Interests B.J. Simon
Regional Principal Economic Interests Representative Freddie Richards
Regional Principal Economic Interests Representative Chad Burke
Regional Principal Economic Interests Representative Gil Staley
Pasadena Representative Carlos Guzman
Galveston County Representative Janet Hoffman
Regional Principal Economic Interests Representative Freddie Richards
Fort Bend Representative Jack Belt
Regional Principal Economic Interests Representative Danny Vazquez

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair, Regional Principal Economic Interests Representative Mike Rozell, called the meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 10:07 a.m. in conference Room A at 3555 Timmons Lane in Houston and presided throughout. Chair Rozell stated that a quorum was present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comments were given by the public during this time.

PRESENTATIONS

Sabrina Glenn from the USDA presents on Rural Economic Development Programs currently available at the USDA

Josh Owns from H-GAC presents on the Regional Economic Resilience Plan

1. ACTION ITEM

The GCEDD adopts the Regional Economic Resilience Plan. Rozell moves, Jack Belt seconds.

2. ACTION ITEM

Approval of minutes from April 6, 2018 GCEDD Board Meeting Minutes.

Move to amend minutes to include attendees present at April meeting who were accidentally left out of draft meeting minutes. Jackson moves, Rozell seconds.

Rozell moves to approve, Ford seconds; the action item receives unanimous approval.

3. ACTION ITEM

Approval of Financial Report on the status of the GCEDD's finances and on the Revolving Loan Fund. Jordan moves, Yokum seconds.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

Yokum brings up topic of opportunity zones- something should be done to provide more information to the region/ further define zones

Ford and Yokum move to create a subcommittee to investigate the potential of creating a website and/ or a one page information sheet

5. ADJOURN

The meeting is adjourned by Rozell at 11:40 am

