

Elmira Downtown Development, Inc. 400 E Church St. Elmira, New York 14901

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING

EDD Board Meeting Minutes Enter date 7/23/25

Zoom

ATTENDEES: Heather Kosty, Emma Miran, Xavier Mustico, Candice West, Emily

Blauvelt, A'Don Allen, Dr. Larry Parker II, Connor Delaney,

ABSENT: Janis lunger, Courtney Shaw, Mike Collins, Courtney Woods, April Peris,

Jessica Balmer, Corey Cooke, Eileen Peet, Michael Mitchell

STAFF: Kylene Kiah

CALL TO ORDER:

By Kylene Kiah at 12:02 -

FINANCIALS: *Jessica Balmer*:

Financials were not discussed in this meeting, due to Gus Macker.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT: *Kylene Kiah*;

Final Interview on Thursday 7/24, hoping to have decision to offer an applicant by Monday.-Kylene does not have information on it – but she will be working alongside this person to ensure they are properly trained. She also noted the potential of more applicants for April's position once an Executive Director is announced. Kylene and April can sign contracts to go hourly so events like Wisner and AA5 continue. Trunk or treat is the next large event that is in October.

The Gus Macker in Elmira was fantastic – there is a hope that Gaffer will not host it again, and Elmira will hold it- The Security in Elmira was very on top of the event. Teams, players, parents were hot and competitive, but everything was de-escalated.



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AA5 this Friday for Bernie Murray's. If it is cancelled due to the weather, the hope is to reschedule. May take place in September. Wisner continues to go very well and vendor fees are continuing to increase. Financials continue to remain in a fantastic position.

CDBG grant was awarded from the city to the tune of \$13,000. There was an audit with the city and the EDD Director needs to go out to bids for lawncare going forward.

The backend work and the reporting should be left in a great place for the next individual. A'Don noted how phenomenally received that the Gus Macker event was in Elmira. Additionally, that the exec committee has been focused very deeply on finding the next director. Significant collaboration took place in Elmira for the Gus Macker to go well.

Ky noted they would like to button up AA5 and maybe have some security at AA5 based on the stress that weighs on the bar owners- as well as the wristbands volunteers no showing and then we get stuck in a bad situation where we are underwhelmed professionally / volunteer wise. Ky also has leads on security for EDD and Emily had brought this up based on the last AA5 – maybe some of our leftover income can go to AA5 security. This is a topic that needs to be brought up and handled for the next season.

NEXT MEETING: September 24th at noon, Steele Memorial Library

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Kylene Kiah at 12:13 2nd by Ben Fleischman

Respectfully submitted, Benjamin Fleischman