



GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
VIRTUAL MEETING
Monday, May 19, 2025
4:00 PM

MINUTES

Members present: Kyle Muncy, Ron Schurin, Sean Vasington
Staff present: Steve Ferrigno

1. Call to order

Chair Kyle Muncy called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM.

2. Opportunity for public to comment

There was no public comment.

3. Approval of minutes from October 28, 2024

Sean Vasington moved to approve the minutes from October 28, 2024. Ron Schurin seconded. The motion passed unanimously and the minutes were approved.

4. Discussion of new Board Members

Steve Ferrigno clarified the positions held by members of the Board as well as the current vacancies.

Mr. Muncy suggested a more conservative approach to appointing and electing Board members while the Partnership is still determining long-term direction, rather than rushing to fill all the available vacancies.

The committee discussed current and potential future Board members. Mr. Ferrigno spoke to the term limits described in the bylaws, as well as strategies for recruiting new and retaining current Board members.

Members discussed the University of Connecticut appointees and their roles on the Board of Directors during this time of transition in the Downtown Partnership.

Additionally, members discussed the various Town appointees to the Board. Mr. Vasington spoke to the need to strike a balance between members closely affiliated with the University and those who represent the Town. They agreed that it would be wise to include a member with ties to the EDC or the business community within Mansfield. Mr. Ferrigno also discussed the spirit of collaboration and those members who are town residents and also have ties to UConn.

5. Discussion of Officer Positions

Members did not discuss the Officers of the Board of Directors.

6. Discussion of Executive Committee Members

Mr. Ferrigno and Mr. Muncy discussed the Executive Committee membership and quorum requirements.



7. Discussion of Volunteer of the Year

Members discussed the Volunteer of the Year award. Mr. Vasington and Mr. Muncy spoke to the merits of the award and potential awardees.

8. Update on Annual Meeting

Mr. Ferrigno said that the Annual Meeting will take place on June 26th at 5:00 PM at Huskies Restaurant and Bar. The save-the-date notification will be distributed soon.

9. Adjourn

The committee adjourned the meeting by consensus at 4:55 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by
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