



WV Hive – Board Meeting AGENDA – March 21, 2024 – 2 to 4 p.m. - Virtual

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2:00 – 2:10 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order / Welcome
- 2. Approval of minutes from the December 15, 2023 combined WV Hive and NRGRDA board meeting (see attached)
- 3. Treasurer's Report and Acceptance of Financials (see attached)

2:10 – 2:40 p.m.

- 4. Executive Director's Report and Discussion
 - a. General Hive Program Update
 - b. Existing Grants Overview
 - c. Fundraising Overview
 - d. Special Program Updates:
 - i. WVU Tech Launch Lab Update (see attached activity report additional discussion will be held during Executive Session)
 - ii. ACT Now Community and Business Resilience Initiative Update
 - iii. Textile Lab PATTERN (Planning and Accelerating Textile Technology Entrepreneurship Regional Network) Update
 - iv. Hive Replication Project (Hive in a Box)
 - v. Food Incubation Hub
 - vi. Retail Incubation Hub
 - e. Program Impact

2:40 – 3:00 p.m.

- 5. Member Discussion and Action Items
 - a. Funding proposal approval to submit:
 - i. Appalachian Regional Commission POWER planning grant to provide entrepreneurship education in local vocational schools - \$50,000.
 - b. Board member executive committee appointments and vacant board seat nominations:
 - i. Executive Committee Appointments:
 - 1. Vice Chairman Kent Spellman
 - 2. Secretary/Treasurer Katie Loudin
 - ii. Vacant Board Seat Nominations:
 - 1. Nicholas County representative

- 2. Local (Raleigh County) business owner/serial entrepreneur
- 3. Entrepreneurship support partner

3:00 – 3:50 p.m. – Move into Executive Session

- 6. NRGRDA/Personnel Updates
- 7. ACT Now: CBRI Funding Update
- 8. Business Hub Update
- 9. WVU Tech Launch Lab Update

3:50 – 3:55 p.m.

- 10. Old Business
- 11. New Business
 - a. Next meeting: 6/13/24 in person Beckley (exact location TBD).

3:55 – 4:00 p.m.

12. Final Discussion and Adjournment