# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF DELAWARE PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC.

#### July 19, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Delaware Prosperity Partnership, Inc. (the "Corporation") was held on July 19, 2021, via video conference. The meeting commenced at 4:04 p.m. ET.

The following members of the Board, who constituted a quorum, were present:

Governor John Carney (co-Chair) Travis Hastings, Lakeside Farms

Rodman Ward, III, CSC (co-Chair)

Robert Herrera, The Mill

Desmond Baker, Desmond Baker & Associates Nick Lambrow, M&T Bank

(Secretary) Gregg Moore, Becker Morgan Group Faye Blake, Pathways to Success, Inc. Brian Pettyjohn, Delaware Senate

William Bush, Delaware House of Representatives Rob Rider, O.A. Newton & Son Company

Patrick Callahan, CompassRed Jack Walsh, Delaware Senate

Eric Cheek, HELP Initiative, Inc.

Lyndon Yearick, Delaware House of

Doneene Damon, Richards, Layton & Finger Representatives

Also in attendance from the Corporation:

Kurt Foreman, President & CEO Elio Battista, Jr., Parkowski, Guerke & Swayze

Guests

Ariel Gruswitz, Director of Innovation Andy Lubin, DPP Consultant

Becky Harrington, Director of Business Michael Marquardt, DPP Consultant

Development Albert Shields, Office of the Governor

Megan Kopistecki, Business Development Manager Charles Madden, Director of Talent Services

Christina Marconi, Engagement Manager Emma Odren, Senior Research Analyst

Noah Olson, Innovation Support Manager

Michele Schiavoni, Director of Marketing & External

Relations

John Taylor, Director of Economic Research

### **Introductory Remarks**

Co-Chairs Ward and Carney opened the meeting by welcoming new Board members Fay Blake and Travis Hastings.

### **Meeting Minutes**

The meeting minutes for the Corporation's May 17, 2021, Board meeting were presented by Director Ward for review and approval. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting minutes of the May 17, 2021, Board meeting were approved.

### Treasurer's Report

Mr. Foreman provided a regarding the status of the Corporation's finances and expenditures and also communicated comments from Director Desmond in her absence. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the financials and expenditures were approved.

### Performance Oversight

Director Callahan provided an update on the Science & Technology Advisors and presented the group's initial draft recommendations to the Board. Comments were made by Ms. Gruswitz, Mr. Foreman, and Directors Herrera, Ward, Rider, Baker, Lambrow, and Carney.

Director Rider then introduced Mr. Foreman, Ms. Harrington, and Mr. Taylor, who presented detailed information on the evolution of the recently located Project Dragonfly. Comments were made by Directors Rider and Carney, as well as Mr. Shields.

Director Herrera then provided an external relations update focused on media and DPP's new presence on Instagram. Comments were made by Ms. Schiavoni.

# Planning & Development

Director Damon provided an update on the Advancing Prosperity Campaign and a potential event celebrating reinvestment in DPP. She then talked about the upcoming 2022 budget process, including a plan for small-group board sessions to provide input, and the timing of the concept budget.

# President's Report

Mr. Foreman provided updates on the Corporation's operations, recent engagement with Sussex County legislators, a new branding platform initiative to highlight Delaware, and a projects forecast. Comments were made by Director Pettyjohn.

## Co-Chairs' Remarks

Director Carney and Mr. Shields talked about the upcoming signing of the site readiness bill, with comments from Mr. Foreman. He also thanked the DPP staff for all their hard work, noting the great results despite the pandemic.

Director Ward then shared that Ms. Gruswitz would be moving on from DPP at the end of July and wished her well on behalf of the Board.

### Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held in September 2021 at a time and place to be announced.

### Adjournment

Closing remarks and thanks were presented by co-Chairs Carney and Ward. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:43 pm ET.