CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
HIGHER EDUCATION INVESTMENT COMMITTEE
NOTES

March 28, 2016 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Higher Education Investment Committee was called to order at 7:35 a.m., in the Council Conference room, 4035 Broadway. Roll was called and the following members were present:

Randy Holt *Collin Hopkins* *Marjorie Brant*

Ex-Officio members: Ted Berry Tami Kelly Don Walters

1. Mr. Walters passed out the completed Application; Affidavit of Residency and Promissory Note and Loan Agreement.
   He said he had contacted Columbus State University; Harrison College; and Ohio Christian University. He is waiting to hear back from Columbus State and Harrison with an approval to use their names in the promotional material. He has received approval from Ohio Christian and they all have copies of the Application Packet to start using. He said Mr. Turner, Dir. of Finance, will work with each school on tuition payment and the Bursar's Bill.
   H passed out a *Draft* Press Release, which the Committee read over and offered a couple of minor changes. Mr. Walters asked Mr. Berry for a quote that he could use in the Press Release and Mr. Berry indicated he would get that to him right away. Once he has heard from the Mayor, he will make the adjustments and get the Press Release out. He noted that an e-mail will go out to City Staff the day before the Press Release is issued so they will have knowledge of the Program. Information will also be placed on the Home page of the City's website.
   Mr. Walters stated that Ms. Sandy Nekoloff is his contact point for SWCS's. Committee Members asked about other high schools that should be contacted. Mr. Holt suggested making a list of the high schools and their Counselor for contact purposes. Ms. Kelly said she would compile that list.

2. Mr. Berry asked about the brick and mortar portion of the Program and if there was anything the Committee could do to help. Mr. Walters said they are looking around for a building with the amenities necessary. One requirement is a space with 250 parking spots. Mr. Berry suggested a space that may have off-site parking that is close enough to walk, if there isn't a building with that many spaces.

3. Discussion, again, took place over the funding for the scholarship portion of this program. Mr. Berry explained why he feels they should have applications before asking for an appropriation.

   Mr. Holt asked if everyone was in agreement with a Demand-based funding program. Ms. Brant still feels funding should be received prior to getting applications, but a consensus agreed to the demand-based approach.

   Mr. Holt said he would create a database to keep statistics on the applicants.

   Mr. Hopkins shared a logo design he created. He will send this to Mr. Walters for use.

4. Ms. Brant moved to approve all outstanding Minutes/Notes of the Committee; seconded by Mr. Holt. Motion unanimously approved.

5. Mr. Holt asked about a date for the next meeting. He said by his notes, this meeting would have: a list of schools and contacts to review; confirm that the Press Release is out; information is on the Website; review any submitted applications; further the discussions on a building and the brick/mortar portion of this Program.

It was agreed by those in attendance to tentatively set the next meeting for 4/25 at 7:30 a.m.

6. A motion was made to adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

**Editor's Note – Dr. Wise, member, arrived just as meeting was breaking up. He was brought up to speed by Mr. Berry.*

Tami K. Kelly

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Secretary

Chair