



Regular Meeting

1:00pm-2:30pm Wednesday, October 27, 2021 | Online

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MINUTES

Attendees: Josh Metz, Kate Roberts, Matt Mogensen, Trevin Barber, Melanie McNulty, Andy Myrick (joined at 2:00 pm), Dan Ripke (CSUMB), Andrea Pesce (UCSC), Lawrence Acosta (PG&E), and Go Biz Representatives.

1. Call to Order – 1:06pm

2. Acknowledgements, Announcements, and Correspondence – Round Table

Kate Roberts states the State of the Region event is taking place on Friday, October 29 and has a great lineup of speakers. California Economic Summit coming next month, November 8 - 10. Roberts being interviewed regarding the Build Back Better (BBB) Grant. Matt Mogensen states a new community development director should be onboarded soon. Mogensen states they are beginning discussions with partners for broadband project. Other projects on the horizon are a hotel, Promenade Dunes Development tenants, as well updates to downtown. Joby will have more activities coming up in the next couple months. Lawrence Acosta (program manager of economic development) from PG&E states they have 150 megawatts EDR proposal to provide discounts to customers.

3. Approval of Draft Minutes – (August 18, 2021)

Item was tabled and handled via email due to lack of a quorum.

Motion is made by Matt Mogensen and seconded by Andy Myrick to approve Minutes of the September 22, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. All ayes.

4. Treasurers Report –

Item was not discussed.

5. Business Items –

a. Go-Biz Introduction:

Members of CCMT and Go-Biz representatives, Derek Kirk, Danna Stroud and Poonum Patel, introduce themselves to the group. Go Biz is one of the state's leading agencies to support California job/business growth and economic development with projects such as zero emission vehicles, business investment services, international affairs, small business, and more. \$600 million in total funds for Community Economic Recovery Fund (CERF); \$500 million of the funding will go to infrastructure implementation grants. Funds must be spent by Sept 30, 2026. Danna is the new representative who will host/engage for is now covering the Central Coast area.

Director Myrick joins the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

- b. Funding Opportunities:
Josh provided a presentation on BBB grant opportunity. Kate states BBB is getting lots of attention even though it's only in the grant application phase. Six counties came together to compose the grant. Lots of threads coming together and connections being made whether grant is received or not. Mogensen noted, smaller cities have more difficulty going after grants, etc. this meeting was great to see options and activities out there.
- c. Event Review – *Dart Symposium*:
Josh reported on Symposium event with background on creation of DART organization, with the event pulled together on shoe string with multi-party coalition. 2021 event had high level speakers from Naval Post-Graduate School, Joby Aviation, UCSC, National Security Innovation Network, CalTrans, and UC Ag and Natural Resources. Next year's event will take place on October 18-20 2022.
- d. Upcoming Events:
 - i. MBEP State of the Region – Friday, October 29, 2021
 - ii. California Economic Summit – Monday, November 8 – Wednesday, November 10

6. Other Agenda Items –

- i. Date of next meeting - November 17, 2021
- ii. Other Items - Josh asked what the group would you like to see more of? Kate answered next meeting should be about forging ahead with next steps, review events and activities, etc. BBB grant status will not be available until mid-December. Kate asked if consideration be made to adding more Education representatives? Andrea appreciates being asked to join this group and will become a member and assess discussion items with the Chancellor on what she would like to cover. Andrea shared this link with the group: <https://mailchi.mp/dd5ddac2d5fc/calosba-launches-the-inclusive-innovation-hub-ihub2-program>

7. Adjournment – 2:33pm