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MEETING:	DESC Audit & Finance Committee	DATE:	December 9, 2021
ATTENDEES:	DESC Board/Committee Members: Calvin Sharp, Mark Redman, Alice Thompson, Ric Preuss, Maria Woodruff-Wright, Paul Trulik DESC Staff: Terri Weems, Alessia Baker-Giles, Sara Azu, Lynnette Robinson, David Jackson, Angela Smith, Chanelle Manus, Tara Lukas, Nia Turner, William Simpson, Elizabeth Hennessey, S. Rene Fowler Guests: Paul Bryant	LOCATION:	Zoom Conference Meeting
BY WAY OF TELEPHONE:		CALLED TO ORDER:	10:00 a.m.
ABSENT:	Chris Uhl, Nicole Sherard-Freeman	ADJOURNED:	10:51 a.m.
FACILITATOR:	Chris Uhl, DESC Treasurer, Audit and Finance Committee Chair	PREVIOUS MINUTES APPROVED/ADOPTED:	June 24, 2021

ITEM	DISCUSSION	OUTCOME/ACTION ITEM(S)
I. Welcome, Roll Call, and Introductions	In the absence of Chris Uhl, Audit and Finance Committee Chair, Terri Weems, DESC President, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., December 9, 2021, by way of the Open Meetings Act In response to the COVID 19 virus pandemic and consistent with the provisions of Governor Whitmer's Executive Orders #2020-15 ("Temporary Authorization of Remote Participation In Public Meetings") and #2020-21 ("Temporary Requirement To Suspend Activities That Are Not Necessary To Sustain or Protect Life"), this meeting will be conducted entirely by remote access. All Board Members attending remotely identified themselves and the location they were joining from: Calvin Sharp, Bloomfield Township, MI Maria Woodruff-Wright, Detroit, MI Paul Trulik, Shelby Township, MI Mark Redman, Detroit, MI Alice Thompson, Detroit, MI Ric Preuss, Detroit, MI	

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with the report given and thanked the entire team for a job well done.
There was much discussion and questions answered. The board was in agreement
<ul> <li>2021 Financial Statement Audit</li> <li>Single Audit Testing – PATH, CDBG</li> </ul>
Paul Bryant, reported on the following:
for the virtual audit work done in a timely manner.
Paul Bryant thanked Alessia Baker-Giles, Finance Director and Accounting Department
Terri Weems introduced Paul Bryant the Auditor from Plante Moran.
There was no old business to discuss.
Seconded: Alice Thompson Motion Carried-Passed/Approved Unanimously
Terri Weems requested a Motion to approve, June 24, 2021, Draft Meeting Minutes: Motioned: Calvin Sharp
Motion Carried-Passed/Approved Unanimously
Motioned: Mark Redman Seconded: Alice Thompson
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reported on Internal Control Policy, Policy No: 2021 FIN-001), and Segregation of
Duties Policy, (Policy No. 2021 FIN-002), the policies are to comply with the Office of
Attorney General (OAG) requirements as follows:
<ul> <li>Internal Control Policy is to provide information to DESC employees about the</li> </ul>
internal control structure that affects all levels of the organization
- Qualified Personnel for hired positions
<ul> <li>Segregation of Duties Policy- identifies the process to provide information to</li> </ul>
DESC employees to perform duties in accordance with the proper internal
controls as established by management. Segregation of duties is one of the key
elements of an Internal Controls Policy as it reduces the risk of fraud, theft, and
the recording of improper transactions.
Terri Weems reported a posting for:
<ul> <li>Internal Audit Department (planning for next year)</li> </ul>
Internal Audit Manager
David Jackson, Administrative Manager, reported on, Public Funding Purchases
including State, Local, and Federal Funds, (Policy No. FIN-011) and, Private Funding
Purchases, (Policy No. FIN-012):
Public funding policy was revised to included grammatical changes and an
update to departments and titles
<ul> <li>Cycle III test for procurement public funding – 1 Finding</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Ensuring compliance by transitioning procurement, grants management,</li> </ul>
contract invoicing, and budgets through an electronic system.
Private funding purchases policy was developed by DESC external legal counsel
to:
Allow greater flexibility with philanthropic funds
Document retention



VI. Adjournment	Terri Weems, DESC President, adjourned the meeting.
VI. Public Comments	No emails from the public
IV. New Business	No new business.
	Projected FY 2023 Budget
	Preview Next Meeting:
	<ul> <li>Preview Next Meeting, April 21, 2022</li> <li>Budget</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>City of Detroit ARPA Skills for Life \$16,000,000</li> <li>City of Detroit ARPA CHC \$15,000,000</li> <li>CHC/CDC \$5,752,244</li> </ul>
	Terri Weems provided an updated summary of the FY 2022 budget. DESC received additional funding in the amount of \$36,752.44. The committee approved the budget in June 2022 for \$72M. Recently, DESC was awarded several new grants:
	FY 2022 ANNUAL BUDGET ADDITIONAL FUNDING
	allow flexibility due to federal rules.
	Terri Weems stated that a separate private procurement policy was developed to         allow flexibility due to federal rules.

Title: <u>Executive Administrative Assistant</u>
Date: January 5, 2022
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