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<b>MEETING:</b>	<b>DESC Executive Committee Meeting</b>	<b>DATE:</b>	<b>December 13, 2022</b>
<b>ATTENDEES:</b>	<b>DESC Executive Committee Members:</b> Cal Sharp, Alice Thompson, Chris Uhl, Nicole Sherard-Freeman, Maria Woodruff-Wright <b>DESC Staff:</b> Terri Weems, Sara Azu, Chanelle Manus, Elizabeth Hennessey, Traci Sassak, Robert Shimkoski, Leslie Griffin, Dana Williams, Sheila Johnson, Chauncey Samuel	<b>LOCATION:</b>	<b>DESC Corporate Offices</b>
		<b>CALLED TO ORDER:</b>	<b>09:09 am</b>
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>Excused:</b> None <b>Unexcused:</b> None	<b>ADJOURNED:</b>	<b>09:20 am</b>
<b>PUBLIC ATTENDEES:</b>	None		
<b>FACILITATOR:</b>	<b>Cal Sharp, Board Chair</b>	<b>DATE MINUTES APPROVED/ADOPTED:</b>	<b>May 9, 2023</b>

ITEM	DISCUSSION	OUTCOME/ACTION ITEM(S)
I. Welcome & Introductions	Cal Sharp, Board Chair, called the meeting to order.	
II. Agenda & Minutes Approval	<p>Cal Sharp asked for approval of the agenda for the December 13, 2022 meeting:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion:</b> Alice Thompson  <b>Seconded:</b> Chris Uhl  <b>Motion Carried – Approved Unanimously</b></p> <p>Cal Sharp asked for approval of the meeting minutes from the October 25, 2022, meeting:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion:</b> Alice Thompson  <b>Seconded:</b> Chris Uhl  <b>Motion Carried – Approved Unanimously</b></p>	
III. DESC Board Chair Report	<p>Cal Sharp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shared that he is stepping down as Chairperson of the DESC Board, effective January 28, 2023. He expressed his admiration and pride at how large DESC has grown and how well DESC has met the needs of Detroiters.</li> <li>Emphasized the importance of the partnership with the Mayor’s Office and how that has allowed for innovative programming to service Detroiters.</li> </ul>	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expressed his full support and confidence in the Board of Directors in the direction the organization is headed.</li> </ul> <p><b>Alice Thompson, DESC Board Secretary:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commended Cal Sharp and shared that DESC could not have come this far without his leadership and guidance. She shared that his leadership, mentorship, and service would be greatly missed and hard to replace.</li> </ul> <p><b>Nicole Sherard-Freeman, Group Executive, Jobs, Economy &amp; Detroit at Work:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commended Cal Sharp for his leadership and expressed her gratitude to him on behalf of Cindy Pasky, Dave Meador and the Mayor.</li> </ul>	
<b>IV. DESC President Board Report</b>	<p><b>Terri Weems:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shared that this was a bittersweet moment of the Board Chair retiring both from our Board and the Mayor's Workforce Development Board.</li> <li>Briefly detailed the impact of his leadership over the years and expressed her gratitude to Mr. Sharp.</li> <li>Discussed the recent state election results, anticipated priorities, and how the new majority in the State Legislature may move the needle forward on progressive support for our work.</li> </ul> <p>Committee discussion ensued.</p>	
<b>V. Mayors Workforce Development Board Update</b>	<p><b>Nicole Sherard-Freeman:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Briefly highlighted the updates that she would share around projects including American Motors Company, JPMorgan Chase and the good work that Dana and her team have done, and the Mayor's innovative JumpStart initiative to engage Detroit's long term unemployed.</li> </ul>	
<b>VI. Public Comments</b>	<b>There was no public comment.</b>	
<b>VII. Adjournment</b>	<p><b>Cal Sharp called to adjourn the meeting:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion:</b> Chris Uhl <b>Seconded:</b> Alice Thompson <b>Motion Carried – Approved Unanimously</b></p>	

**DRAFT SUBMITTED BY:**

Printed Name: Elizabeth Hennessey

Title: Administrator, Special Projects

Signature: /s/ E Hennessey

Date: 12/20/2022



DATE MINUTES APPROVED/ADOPTED: 05/09/2023

Initials: EMH

**NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, January 24, 2022 @ 9:00 AM