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<b>MEETING:</b>	<b>DESC Program Services Committee Meeting</b>	<b>DATE:</b>	December 6, 2022
<b>ATTENDEES:</b>	<b>DESC Committee / Board Members:</b> Alice Thompson, Lena Barkley, Dannis Mitchell <b>DESC Staff:</b> Terri Weems, Chanelle Manus, Stephanie Nixon, Madelyne Bernard-Diab, Chauncey Samuels, Elizabeth Hennessey, Darilyn Draper, Sara Azu, Dana Williams, Gregory Anderson	<b>LOCATION:</b>	DESC Corporate Offices 115 Erskine, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fl Detroit, MI 48201
		<b>CALLED TO ORDER:</b>	10:06 am
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>Excused:</b> Cal Sharp, Ric Preuss <b>Unexcused:</b> NONE	<b>ADJOURNED:</b>	10:50 am
<b>PUBLIC ATTENDEES:</b>	Mackenzie, Detroit Otter AI, Amber		
<b>FACILITATOR:</b>	<b>Alice Thompson, Board Secretary and Committee Chairperson</b>	<b>DATE MINUTES APPROVED/ADOPTED:</b>	04/11/2022

ITEM	DISCUSSION	OUTCOME/ACTION ITEM(S)
I. Welcome & Introductions	Alice Thompson, Board Secretary and Committee Chair, called the meeting to order and asked for a roll call.	
II. Agenda Approval / Minutes	<p>Ms. Thompson asked for approval of the agenda for the December 6, 2022, meeting:  <b>Motion:</b> Dannis Mitchell  <b>Seconded:</b> Lena Barkley  <b>Motion Carried – Approved Unanimously</b></p> <p>Ms. Thompson asked for approval of the meeting minutes from the September 20, 2022, meeting:  <b>Motion:</b> Lena Barkley  <b>Seconded:</b> Dannis Mitchell  <b>Motion Carried – Approved Unanimously</b></p>	
III. Chairperson's Report	<p><b>Ms. Thompson:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summarized high-level takeaways from the recent Department of Education's Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress (M-STEP) report. She shared that of the 255 schools that were below where their reading and math levels should be, 46 of those schools were Detroit Public Schools. She discussed the need for further</li> </ul>	



	investment and partnership so that children are allowed to receive a quality education.	
<b>IV. Contract Approvals</b>	<p><b>Ms. Thompson introduced Chauncey Samuel, Youth Special Projects Coordinator:</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Samuel:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shared the team’s recommendations for DESC’s WIOA and GDYT Summer Youth Employment Coordinator, Connect Detroit. Under the new contract, they will serve approximately 5,000, youth aged, 14 to 24, and will continue to operate as the hub in GDYT’s hub-and-spoke model.</li> </ul> <p>Committee discussion ensued. Ms. Samuel answered inquiries from Committee members.</p> <p><b>Ms. Thompson called for approval of the Connect Detroit contract:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion:</b> Lena Barkley  <b>Seconded:</b> Dannis Mitchell  <b>Motion Carried – Approved Unanimously</b></p> <p>Committee discussion ensued.</p> <p><b>Ms. Thompson introduced Madelyne Bernard-Diab, DESC’s Chief Operations Officer:</b></p> <p><b>Mrs. Bernard-Diab:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Detailed the team’s recommendations for WIOA Adult and PATH Supportive Services Dispatch Services Contract, All-Ways Transportation. Under the new contract, they will provide Lyft transport for Detroit at Work customers to get to and from work, bring their children to school or day care as needed.</li> </ul> <p>Committee discussion ensued. Ms. Bernard-Diab fielded questions from Committee Members.</p> <p><b>Ms. Thompson called for approval of the All-Ways Transport contract:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion:</b> Lena Barkley  <b>Seconded:</b> Dannis Mitchell  <b>Motion Carried – Approved Unanimously</b></p>	
<b>V. Jumpstart Update</b>	<p><b>Ms. Thompson introduced Terri Weems, DESC’s President.</b></p> <p><b>Mrs. Weems:</b></p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Detailed the Jumpstart initiative, an ARPA-funded program designed to reach the city's long term unemployed through engagement with partner community activist groups (In Detroit Organizations or IDO's).</li> <li>Shared that The Detroit City Council awarded \$25 million to Detroit Employment Solutions Corporation to serve as Program Administrator.</li> </ul> <p>Committee discussion ensued. Mrs. Weems fielded questions from Committee Members.</p>	
<b>VI. Public Comments</b>	<b>There was no public comment.</b>	
<b>VII. Adjournment</b>	<p><b>Alice Thompson called to adjourn the meeting:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion:</b> Lena Barkley  <b>Seconded:</b> Dannis Mitchell  <b>Motion Carried – Approved Unanimously</b></p>	

**DRAFT SUBMITTED BY:**

Printed Name: **Elizabeth Hennessey**

Title: Administrator, Special Projects

Signature: /s/ E Hennessey

Date: 12/19/2022

**DATE MINUTES APPROVED/ADOPTED:** 04/11/2023 **Initials:** EMH

**NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, January 6, 2022 @ 10:00 AM