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MEETING:	DESC Audit & Finance Committee Meeting	DATE:	December 1, 2025
ATTENDEES:	DESC Committee Members: Chris Uhl, Alice Thompson, Gail Taylor, Ric Preuss, Terri Weems, Mark Redman, Paul Trulik (remote) DESC Staff: Dana Williams, Rachel May, Angela Smith, Sheila Johnson, Carmen Bender, Lexus Lenton, Lynnette Robinson (remote) Cassandra Ricks (remote) Stephanie Nixon, Madelyne Bernard-Diab, Kevin Naud	LOCATION:	DESC HQ 115 Erskine, 2nd FI Detroit, MI 48201
		CALLED TO ORDER:	12:36 p.m.
ABSENT:	Excused: None Unexcused: None	ADJOURNED:	2:09 p.m.
GUESTS & PUBLIC ATTENDEES:	Michelle Hodges, Karen LeGendre		
FACILITATOR:	Chris Uhl, Committee Chair	DATE MINUTES APPROVED/ADOPTED	January 22, 2026

ITEM	DISCUSSION	OUTCOME/ACTION ITEM(S)
I. Welcome & Introductions	<p>Chris Uhl, DESC Board Treasurer and Audit & Finance Committee Chair, called the meeting to order.</p> <p>Mr. Uhl called for a motion to approve the agenda for the December 1, 2025, meeting:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motioned: Alice Thompson Supported: Mark Redman Motion Carried: Approved Unanimously</p> <p>Mr. Uhl called for a motion to approve the meeting minutes for the November 17, 2025, meeting:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motioned: Alice Thompson Supported: Mark Redman Motion Carried: Approved Unanimously</p>	



II. Finance Discussion	<p>Mr. Uhl, DESC Board Treasurer and Audit & Finance Committee Chair:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided an overview of today's meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conversation about the losses, address committee concerns • Ensure committee understands how information is flowing up to the MWDB • Develop interim solutions and long-term plan for CFO <p>Dana Williams, DESC President</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Addressed the financial gap and the expected revenues that will close the gap • Addressed the FY25-26 Gap Scenarios • Identified issues and root causes to help streamline solutions and limit recurrence • Financial Management Structure Overview including titles and job descriptions • Planned next steps for Finance and Auditing <p>Committee discussion ensued</p> <p>Mr. Uhl called for a motion for emergency procurement for DESC to install an interim contract CFO, without RFP:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motioned: Ric Preuss Supported: Alice Thompson Motion Carried: Approved Unanimously</p>	<p>Action item:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand Q4 costs • Focus on cash and projections • Identify impact for the next three quarters • Provide 13-week cashflow analysis • Provide financial gap update to MWDB 12/3 meeting • Provide revised budget at next meeting • Install interim contract CFO for 90-120 days within 2 weeks • RFP for new Audit Firm
III. Public Comments	<p>Mr. Uhl called for public comments: None</p>	
IV. Adjournment	<p>Mr. Uhl called for a motion to adjourn: Motioned: Alice Thompson Seconded: Ric Preuss Motion Carried: Approved Unanimously</p>	

DRAFT SUBMITTED BY:

Printed Name: Rachel May **Title:** Executive Assistant to the President

Date: 12/8/2025

DATE MINUTES APPROVED/ADOPTED: 01/22/2026 **Initials:** RMM

NEXT MEETING: January 22, 2026

