

**Office of Economic Development
Economic Development Advisory Board
MEETING MINUTES**

Date: August 2, 2011: **Time:** 7:30 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Rich Adams
Terry Benelli
Mitzi Montoya
Steve Parker
Tony Siebers
Jo Wilson
Steve Wood

EX-OFFICIO

Mayor Scott Smith (excused)
Chris Brady (excused)
Brian Campbell (excused)
Jeff Crockett (excused)
Steve Shope (excused)
Peter Sterling

STAFF PRESENT

Betsy Adams
Lisa Davis
Marquisha Griffin
William Jabjiniak

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dan Olson (excused)
Jeff Pitcher (excused)

GUESTS

Dr. Sally Downey
Neil Pierett

1. Chair's Call To Order

Vice-Chair Rich Adams called the August 2, 2011 meeting of the Economic Development Advisory Board to order at 7:40 A.M. at the East Valley Institute of Technology (EVIT), 6625 S. Power Road, Mesa, AZ 85212.

2. Welcome to New Board Members

Vice-Chair Adams welcomed new members Dr. Mitzi Montoya, Provost and Dean of ASU Polytechnic campus and Mr. Tony Siebers, Direct of Global Quality Management at First Solar.

3. Approval of Minutes from June 7, 2011 board meeting.

Vice-Chair Adams called for a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on June 7, 2011.

MOTION: Jo Wilson moved that the minutes from June 7, 2011 be approved as written.

SECOND: Steve Wood

DECISION: Passed unanimously.

4. Walking Tour of EVIT campus at 6625 S. Power Road, South Building

Dr. Sally Downey welcomed and invited guests and the EDAB Board members to a tour of the new EVIT campus. The new East campus located at 6625 S. Power Road will open its doors to approximately 350 students beginning Monday, August 8, 2011. The

10-acre site is master-planned in four phases. The initial phase of the master-plan embodies the “lion share” of the site development.

The primary career based courses offered in Phase I of the new campus include aviation, hospitality, medical and “sustainable” technologies. The two (2) new signature programs being implemented for the first time on this campus are aviation and sustainable technologies.

The tour was conducted by Neil Pieratt, Architect for Gilleland Brubaker Architects (designers of the new campus buildings). He stated the buildings sustainable design features are: Rooftop garden; Ice storage tanks; 4-pipe central plant system; Building envelope; High efficiency glazing; High efficiency light fixtures; HVAC equipment condensation collection; Water efficient plumbing fixtures; High recycled content finishes; Low VOC emitting materials; Water efficient landscaping; Mature native trees; Rainwater collection tank; Reduced heat island effect; Energy management system; and Interactive building monitoring displays.

5. Other Business

Mr. William Jabjiniak announced several important dates for the EDAB Board to have on their calendars. They are as follows:

- First Solar Event on Friday, August 19th, 7:30 – 9:00 a.m. at Gilbert Chandler Community College, 7360 E. Tahoe Ave., Mesa – 150 Higley Room
- City Council Economic Development Sub-Committee Meeting, Monday, September 12th at 3:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, Lower Level, 57 E. 1st Street, Mesa, AZ
- GPEC Annual Dinner, Thursday, October 13th from 5:30 – 9:00 p.m. at the Arizona Biltmore. RSVP required to the Office of Economic Development.

Mr. Jabjiniak announced that the Central Mesa Light Rail Extension has received the environmental clearance called Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

Vice-Chair Adams reminded the EDAB members the next scheduled meeting is on September 6, 2011, 57 E. 1st Street, City Council Chambers, Lower Level, Mesa, AZ 85201.

6. Adjournment

Vice-Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 8:45 a.m.

Submitted By:

William J. Jabjiniak
Economic Development Department Director
(Prepared by Betsy Adams)