

# ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, November 13, 2014 10:00 A.M.

1700 W. Washington St., Executive Tower, Phoenix, Arizona 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Governor's Conference Room

# I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Governor Brewer, Chair, called the November 13, 2014 meeting of the Arizona Commerce Authority Board of Directors to order at 10:07 a.m. and welcomed the attendees and the public.

The meeting was noticed and properly posted. Governor Brewer requested that Sarah Knaperek call the role.

# **Board Members Present in Person**

Governor Jan Brewer, Chair
Jerry Colangelo, Co-Chair
Gary Abrams
Michael Bidwill
Paul Bonavia
Tim Jeffries
John Kaites
Jim Keeley
Brian Mueller
Victor Smith
Sandra Watson, President/CEO
President Rita Chang

#### **Board Members Present Via Conference Line**

Drew Brown Mike Ingram Craig Barrett Richard Boals

#### **Board Members Not Present**

Senate President Andy Biggs House Speaker Andy Tobin Richard Adkerson Phil Francis Steve Macias Candace Wiest President Dr. Michael Crow President Dr. Ann Hart Dr. Rufus Glasper Mayor Mark Mitchell

#### II. Welcome Remarks from Chair Governor Brewer

Governor Brewer began her remarks by welcoming two new ex-officio members of the ACA Board, NAU President Rita Cheng and Mark Dobins chair of the Workforce Arizona Commission. She expressed her mission has been to encourage investment, expansion and job growth, to strengthen Arizona's competitive edge and to position Arizona to be the best place in the nation to do business. She recognized the ACA is delivering strong results to strengthen the economy with high value job creation. She briefly updated members on her meetings with heads of government and business in Europe and Asia to forge opportunities for increasing trade and investment. She concluded by expressing her gratitude to each member of the board for their support and confidence as they built and demonstrated the success of the ACA and delivering on the competitiveness package.

#### III. Welcome Remarks from Co-Chair Jerry Colangelo

Jerry Colangelo recognized the leadership of Governor Brewer by expressing her tireless work to make Arizona more competitive in the global marketplace.

#### IV. Approval of August 28, 2014 ACA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes\*

Victor Smith moved to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2014 meeting of the ACA Board of Directors; John Kaites seconded. The motion was approved.

# V. CEO Report-Sandra Watson

Sandra Watson, President and CEO of the ACA, began her remarks by recognizing several of the companies that the ACA team worked with during the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2015. She called on Kevin Sullivan, SVP, Business Attraction, to walk through the ACA Business Attraction and Expansion pipeline. Sandra Watson concluded her report recognizing Governor Brewer for her loyal service to Arizona and to strengthening the state economy.

#### VI. Executive Session

Gary Abrams moved to enter into Executive Session; Michael Bidwill seconded. The motion was approved.

# a. Client Updates

# b. Business Development Strategies

# VII. Call to Board Members for Items for Future Agendas

No comments or future items for discussion were noted.

### VIII. Call to Public

No public comment.

#### IX. Adjournment

Victor Smith moved to adjourn; Jim Keeley seconded. The Board of Directors adjourned at 12:15 p.m.