GROW Licking County Meeting Minutes March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015. OhioMeansJobs|Licking County. 998 E. Main St., Newark

## **Present:**

Rick Platt, Chairman Mark Johns, Vice Chairman Cheri Hottinger Roney Murphy Tim Bubb Mike Compton Jerry Newton John Fisher Dan Evers, Director Allison Fisher, Marketing & Project Management Specialist

Excused: (motion by Tim Bubb and seconded by Jerry Newton - carried unanimously) Jennifer Chrysler Patrick Guanciale Jim Lenner Erin Tschanen Dan McVey Robert O'Neill Clifford Mason

## Guests:

Paul Prater, AEP Duane Flowers, Licking County Commissioner Windy Murphy, Ohio Means Jobs|Licking County Stuart Moyinhan, City of Newark

## **Proceedings:**

Meeting called to order by Chairman, Rick Platt

Approval of February 2 minutes - Motion by John Fisher, seconded by Cheri Hottinger, carried unanimously

Finance report given by Cheri Hottinger on behalf of Dan McVey. Mrs. Hottinger noted the 100% participation from previous sponsors and the addition of 4 new contributors. The committee plans to continue to seek additional funds.

Approval of January 2015 Financial report - Motion by Rick Platt, seconded by Mark Johns, carried unanimously

Approval of Resolution 2015-01, giving authority to the Marketing Committee to establish guidelines for the Grow Licking County Workforce Development Fund. Motion by Tim Bubb and seconded by John Fisher - carried unanimously

Director's report given by Dan Evers. Mr. Evers presented the activity report, discussing recent leads and responses, GROW's sponsorship of the Trust Belt Conference in conjunction with Columbus 2020, and upcoming opportunities for outreach. Mr. Evers also

discussed the uptick in January unemployment, noting that this is a typical seasonal trend. John Fisher added that over half the employees displaced by the AGC closure had reentered the workforce as of March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Rick Platt offered his appreciation of the mid-meeting report prepared by Mr. Evers, and commented on its value to members that are unable to attend all meetings.

Motion to go into Executive Session by Mark Johns and seconded by Cheri Hottinger. Motion carried unanimously.

No decisions or actions were taken in Executive Session. Motion was made to come out of Executive Session by Mark Johns and seconded by Cheri Hottinger. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Hottinger distributed copies of a Third Amendment to Grow Licking County Agreement for Services. After discussion, it was motioned by Mark Johns and seconded by Roney Murphy. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Platt remarked that our next scheduled meeting is May 18th at the Port Authority, which is the 20th Anniversary to the date of the privatization of the Base.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:11.