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Board Chair

Peter S. DeBiasi
President / CEO

Board of Directors
Regular Meeting

April 7, 2009
4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Location: **1315 Main Street, Willimantic**

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AGENDA

1. **Call to Order & Roll Call** *(4:00)*

2. **Public Time**

3. **Consent Agenda:** *(4:10)*

4. **Action Items:** *(4:15 – 5:00)*

5. **Discussion and Potential Action:** *(5:00 – 5:30)*

6. **Information:** *(5:30–5:45)*

7. **Old/New Business**

Board of Directors

Regular Meeting Minutes: March 3, 2009

Held at: 1315 Main St. Willimantic, CT 06226

Present: M. De Marco, M. Flexer, V. Gomez, S. Gordon, C. Kraus, O. Kurnyk-Ezis, J. Patton, D. Pinney, I. Rolón, P. Royer, J. Sacilowski, J. Vasquez **Absent:** A. Gruenberg, R. Lanzit, J. Lopez-Morales, M. Phillips, D. Von Husen **Staff Present**: M. Beauregard, M. Cady, K. Crees, P. DeBiasi, E. Madera

Topic	Discussion	Action
Call to Order/ Roll Call	The Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 4:12 pm	The roll was called and a quorum was present.
Public Time	No one present to speak.	
Consent Agenda	➢ Minutes: o January Board Meeting o February Finance and Funding Committee ➢ January Financial Statements ➢ February President/CEO's Report	• With no objections, the Consent Agenda was accepted as presented.
Discussion and Potential Action Items: • ***Mission*** ---------- • ***Strategic Framework*** ---------- • ***Strategic Opportunities and Challenges***	➢ Discussed the *Mission* article in *Principles and Practices for Nonprofit Excellence in CT. Access* largely complies with the article's recommendations. ---------- ➢ Reviewed the Results-Based Accountability planning model and discussed possible updates to the Framework to better align it with the ROMA Goals and RBA model. ---------- ➢ Thanks to the ARRA Stimulus Package, *Access* expects to receive a significant short-term increase in CSBG and Weatherization, to secure a Youth-Build grant, and access additional WIA workforce devel. funds. ➢ Significant homelessness prevention funds are also coming to CT.	• We are in the process of having a Community wide survey thru "survey monkey" to learn more about the community's perception of *Access*. ---------- • Some of current long-term the goals were identified as "Results" and others as "Indicators". The Framework will be updated, reviewed by the Prog. and Strat. Planning Comm., then presented by the committee to the board for action on April 7. ---------- • Staff are in the process of planning to ramp up as funding allows. The State of CT still needs to provide specific guidance regarding when and how we will receive/can spend the funds. • Staff are awaiting an RFP for the Homelessness prevention funds.

Info Items: ***Willimantic Property Update***	➢ Sound Devel. Continues to have strong interest in purchasing the property. They are awaiting a decision from the potential anchor tenant. ➢ Another potential buyer is interested in the property. GFHC is in the process of relocating.	• No action taken or required.
Old/New Business: ***Election of New Board Member*** ---------- ***ASHoF Board of Director Membership***	➢ Information about a candidate from Vernon to fill the vacant Public Sector seat was presented. Discussion followed as to the best way to proceed, keeping in mind that the board elects all nominees, but the town's chief elected official must nominate the person or at least endorse the election. ---------- ➢ Mary Demarco resigned and Jessica Sacilowski plans to resign from the ASHoF Board, leaving us with the required one *Access* board member on the ASHoF board.	• Motion (Kurnyk-Ezis/Pinney) made to elect Joy Hollister to the Board pending the Mayor of Vernon's endorsement. After a brief discussion motion (Patton/Pinney) carried unanimously to withdraw the previous motion. • David Pinney will contact the mayor informally to get his endorsement before the board votes on her nomination. ---------- • There is room for 2 additional *Access* board members to serve on the ASHoF. If any Board member is interested, let Mitch Beauregard know. (Mitch is the lead staff on this project)
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.	**<u>Next Meeting</u>: April 7,** 4:00 –6:00 PM 1315 Main Street, Willimantic