



**REGIONAL ACCESS PROJECT FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BOARD MEETING**

APPROVED MINUTES

41550 Eclectic St. Palm Desert, CA 92260

November 9, 2022 8:00 AM

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88015672971>

Call-In: 16699006833 Meeting ID: 880 1567 2971

- I. CALL TO ORDER- at 8:01 by Chairperson J. Pye** Roll Call: *J. Pye, M. Blue, M. Gialdini, M. Gonda, J. Hayes, S. Loureiro, T. St. Johns, V. Tanner (9:01), A. Wilson, M. Felix, E. Romero, B. Gonzalez (9:05), R. Ortega (8:10) and R. Gutierrez (8:10).*

Staff: *L. De Lara, M. Reyes, S. Garcia, G. Montano, C. Golds, K. Garcia.*

Absent:: *C. Borba, C. Galvez, B. Kroonen, K. Quintanilla.*

II. Approval of the AGENDA

In order to meet Brown Act requirements, items may be added to the agenda only upon decision by a majority of the Board of Directors to add the item because of a need for immediate action.

Motion:	<i>To Approve to agenda as presented.</i>			
Motion By:	Second By:	# Approve:	# Oppose:	Abstention (Name):
<i>J. Hayes</i>	<i>M. Blue</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
Conditional Approval:				

III. PUBLIC COMMENT / PRESENTATIONS - None

IV. CONSENT ITEMS: Action Required

- A. October 26, 2022 Board Meeting Draft Minutes (Attach. #1) - Receive and file.
- B. RESOLUTION 2022.15 (Attach. #2)

In order to continue to have the flexibility to hold remote public meetings, AB 361 requires the public agency’s Board of Directors to pass a resolution re-ratifying the state of emergency and reauthorizing remote teleconference meetings on a monthly basis.

Staff Recommendation: To receive and file the October 26, 2022 BOD Minutes and Resolution 2022.15.

Motion:	<i>To accept the Staff Recommendation.</i>			
Motion By:	Second By:	# Approve:	# Oppose:	Abstention (Name):
<i>M. Gonda</i>	<i>J. Hayes</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
Conditional Approval:				

V. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS – Action May Be Required

A. One America Fixed Investment Accounts

Michele T. Sarna Managing Director is recommending Option 2. (Attach. #3)

Executive Committee Recommendation to be shared during the meeting since they would have met on Tuesday November 8.

Motion:	<i>To accept the Executive Committee Recommendation which was to choose Option #2.</i>			
Motion By:	Second By:	# Approve:	# Oppose:	Abstention (Name):
<i>J. Hayes</i>	<i>M. Gialdini</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
Conditional Approval:				

B. To review and approve the Tenant Lease Rates for January 2023 (Attach. #4).

Facilities Committee Recommendation: For the Board to adopt the changes to the lease terms, lease rates, and electricity cost.

Motion:	<i>To accept the Facilities Committee Recommendation with one change made on the attachment #4. Per M. Reyes, RAP's attorney is recommending we not use an amendment, but rather use a new Lease Agreement at renewal dates.</i>			
Motion By:	Second By:	# Approve:	# Oppose:	Abstention (Name):
<i>J. Hayes</i>	<i>M. Gonda</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
Conditional Approval:				

C. Review YTD Grants Tracker (Attach. #5)

D. GRANT FUNDING REQUESTS -Action Required

Sponsorship Request #1 Action Required

Organization:	About Families
Program:	Fall Family Festival
Requested Amount:	\$5,000
About Families, Inc. is presenting the 15th Annual Fall Family Festival on November 20th at Silver Rock Event Site La Quinta, CA. Our goal with this fun and informative event is to create community and to raise awareness of all the family-oriented programs and services available in the Coachella Valley and surrounding area. The Fall Family Festival brings together close to 50 organizations and businesses to share information including education and health screenings. See more here: https://www.coachellavalley prenatalclass.com/fff.html	
Reviewer's Scores:	80% Four reviewers scoring: 77, 87, 93, 63
Prior RAP Funding:	N/A

Grants Committee Recommendation: The Committee will have met on Tuesday, November 8 and will deliver recommendation during the meeting.

Motion:	<i>The Grants Committee is recommending to approve \$5,000.</i>
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Motion By:	Second By:	# Approve:	# Oppose:	Abstention (Name):
M. Gialdini	R. Gutierrez	10	0	1- R. Ortega
Recused:	M. Gonda left the room during the discussion.			

Sponsorship Request #2 Action Required

Organization:	Variety Children’s Charities of the Desert
Program:	27 th Annual Bike Presentation
Requested Amount:	\$5,000
The Bikes for Kids Program honors the academic success and good citizenship of underprivileged and deserving Coachella Valley fourth-grade students by awarding bicycles and helmets during the holiday season each year.	
Reviewer’s Scores:	82% Three reviewers scoring: 87, 80, 80
Prior RAP Funding:	FY 2022 –2023 Small Grant for \$5,000

Grants Committee Recommendation: The Committee will have met on Tuesday, November 8 and will deliver recommendation during the meeting.

Motion:	To approve their request for \$5,000 and an additional \$3,000 for bike locks (that will come out of the Small Grants funds) .			
Motion By:	Second By:	# Approve:	# Oppose:	Abstention (Name):
M. Gialdini	R. Gutierrez	11	0	1- R. Ortega
Conditional Approval:				

Sponsorship Request #3 Action Required

Organization:	Olive Crest
Program:	WRAP Children and Families Christmas Event
Requested Amount:	\$5,000
This Christmas event is designed to create a memorable holiday experience for our WRAP Program youth, families, and caregivers. Our staff and volunteers will be there to help and transportation will be provided as needed. The objective is to model for these underserved children what a positive, fun, and safe family outing can look like. Additionally, we wish to offer each kid and their entire household at least two presents. The children will be blessed with Christmas fun including games, prizes, raffles, food, dessert, and a family picture with Santa for their keepsake.	
Reviewer’s Scores:	83% Four reviewers scoring: 100, 90, 80, 60
Prior RAP Funding:	FY 2022- 2023 Small Grant for \$6,675

Grants Committee Recommendation: The Committee will have met on Tuesday, November 8 and will deliver recommendation during the meeting.

Motion:	To approve their request for \$5,000 and provide a Premium Local NPO Centric membership and to demonstrate that they applied for other funding opportunities should they apply in the future.			
Motion By:	Second By:	# Approve:	# Oppose:	Abstention (Name):
V. Tanner	R. Gutierrez	11	0	1- R. Ortega
Conditional Approval:				

Sponsorship Request #4 Action Required

Organization:	Palm Springs Dance Project
Program:	The Main Event: Inspire, Aspire, Perspire Project
Requested Amount:	\$5,000
A lack of social interaction and learning experiences for disadvantaged youth is known to be a cause of low academic achievement, obesity, behavioral problems, and social and emotional developmental difficulties. Within our own community HARC studies tell us locally 25% of children have difficulties with emotions, concentration, behavior, and/or getting along with others and that 46% of children age two and older have a BMI percentile that puts them in the “overweight” or “obese” category. To address this we’re offering a two-day immersive dance event with professional performances and training opportunities for the community, to include a special educational package to ensure the inclusion of disadvantaged youth. We are seeking your support to underwrite 6 educational packages equaling 48 participants to attend a professional performance on Nov. 19, and to participate in 2 dance workshops with the visiting professional choreographers on Nov. 20th.	
Reviewer’s Scores:	76% Four reviewers scoring: 83, 77, 71, 71
Prior RAP Funding:	FY 2022- 2023bSmall Grant for \$3,245.20

Grants Committee Recommendation: The Committee will have met on Tuesday, November 8 and will deliver recommendation during the meeting.

Motion:	<i>To deny their request and suggest they seek funding opportunities with the school district foundations.</i>			
Motion By:	Second By:	# Approve:	# Oppose:	Abstention (Name):
<i>M. Gialdini</i>	<i>V. Tanner</i>	11	0	1- R. Ortega
Conditional Approval:				

VI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS- No Action

- A. BOARD ATTENDANCE for 2022 (Attach. #6)
- B. GRANTS –Met October 17. S e p t . 1 9 Minutes attached (Attach. #7). Next meeting November 14.
- C. HEALTH MENTAL HEALTH COMMITTEE–Met on Oct. 20. March 29 Minutes attached. (Attach. #8) Next meeting TBD.
- D. Executive Committee to meet November 14, 2022 at 9:00 AM
- E. Finance/Investment Committee to meet November 14 at 11:00 AM, or immediately after the Executive Committee meeting

VII. BOARD MEMBER / STAFF COMMENTS

VIII. Strategic Planning Session (Attach. #9) - *B. Gonzalez (9:05) and V. Tanner (9:01) arrived. Session ended at 1:50*

IX. Ralph M. Brown Act Training – Steve Quintanilla at 2:00

X. ADJOURNMENT: **3:48** Next meeting is on December 7, 2022 at 9 AM.

