**Draft Meeting Minutes**

**Sonoma-Mendocino Economic Development District (SMEDD)**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

Francis Ford Coppola Winery

Tower Meeting Room

300 Via Archimedes, Geyserville

July 21, 2016

1. Welcome (Ben Stone/Steve Dunnicliff) – Attendees presented self-introductions to the group. Attendees included EDD BOD members Robin Bartholow, Pam Chanter, Mike Nicholls, Steve Herron, John Kuhry, Joe Webb, Trish Steel, Paul Castro. Other attendees included Steve Sharpe, Al Lerma, Ben Stone, Steve Dunnicliff, Kanny Morgan, Sean Werkema and Heidi Booth. BOD member Robert Pinoli was absent.
2. SMEDD Board of Directors Member Appointment – Discussion and appointment of 9th member to the Board of Directors: Trish Steel moved and Mike Nicholls seconded a motion to appoint Paul Castro as member of the BOD. Appointment approved on a 7-0-1 vote.
3. Discussion and election of SMEDD Board Chair - Mike Nicholls moved and Pam Chanter seconded a motion appoint John Kuhry Chair of the EDD Board of Directors. Appointment approved on a 7--0-1 vote.
4. Discussion and election of SMEDD Vice-Chair; appointment of Secretary: Pam Chanter moved and Steve Herron seconded a motion to appoint Robin Bartholow Vice-Chair of the EDD Board of Directors. Appointment approved on 8-0-1 a vote.
5. CEDS Progress Report (Brian Kelsey) - Brian Kelsey, consultant for the CEDS, presented background, updates and public participation information the EDD and the CEDS.
6. CEDS Draft Review (Group Discussion): The BOD reviewed the draft CEDS with the consultant.
7. Working Lunch/Review of call for projects process – The consultant reviewed the “call for projects” process including solicitation, review, prioritization and project selection with the BOD.
8. Public Comment regarding topics not on the agenda – Email correspondence from Ernie Carpenter and Dr. Laura Morgan presented to the BOD.
9. Wrap Up – The next meeting will be set when the “call for projects” process is complete. The meeting adjourned at 1:00.