



**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
October 19, 2009**

Present: Dan Goodman, Malcolm Woolf, Ivan Lanier, Katherine Magruder, Ken Connolly, Jeff Eckel, Jeremy Butz, Karen Galindo-White, Jill Sorenson

Excused: Isaac Opalinsky

Chair Connolly called the meeting to order at 1:10 PM

Connolly made a motion to pay the funds back to the staff in a lump sum payment at the end of the fiscal year. Sorensen seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Ms. Sorensen made a motion to authorize Ms. Magruder to contract with a lobbyist for the purpose of advancing the legislative agenda subject to procuring the funds needed to support the effort. Mr. Eckel seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Mr. Goodman made a motion to appoint the advisory board as listed with added representatives from Constellation, BP Solar, and Chesapeake Bay Commission, and to set the term limit for one year with the opportunity to be reappointed. Connolly seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Ms. Magruder asked for a motion to continue spending money on the loan program as MCEC works thru this. Mr. Eckel made a motion for another \$20,000 over and above what has already been spent for the loan program. There was a second and the motion was approved.

- The board began discussing a year of lobbying fees totaling \$19,500. The discussion revolved more around how to pay for the fees. It was suggested that raising money through a license plate fundraiser or raising money through a PAC. The consensus was that funds should not be committed until raised.
- Mr. Billups was introduced to talk about the Consumer CE Loan Program. The conversation changed to budget discussion with Mr. Billups reporting that additional funds were needed. The budget included \$700,000 for program administration and \$3.3 million for loans. Mr. Billups stated that he wanted to build a model based on existing sources and that would work down the road. Mr. Goodman stated that he could not visualize the plan without a sensitivity analysis. Mr. Eckel responded that MCEC does not have the capital for this kind of analysis.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 PM.