



Board of Directors Meeting
December 13, 2022
Noon
(Lunch available at 11:30 AM)
GBA Conference Room

Mission: To bring the people and resources of Gaston County together to tackle big community challenges through the principles and best practices of collaboration, facilitation, promotion, and the anticipation of possibilities.

Tad Hixson, Chair

Meeting Notes

Minutes

Agenda Topics	Major Discussion Points	Next Steps (Who, What, When)
Opening (Tad Hixson, Chair)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consent Agenda (Action) • October 2022 Council Minutes (Action) • 2022 Revenue Calendar • 2022 Calendar of events/meetings 	\$5,000 grant check for “Turning the Tide” the Naloxone Project from the Community Foundation was presented by Angela McLensy, Nina Greene Consent Agenda and Minutes approved (motion by David Fogarty, 2 nd by Steven Long)
Financials (Ken Smith, Treasurer)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2022 Financials (Action) 	Financials were reviewed and approved (motion by Alex Poole, 2 nd by Scott Swindler)
Chairman's Comments (Tad Hixson, Chair)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments (Action) 	Very proud of Bountiful Blessing and Rodney Freeman for receiving the Duke Community Award. Nomination by Natasha Gilbert for Julie Bowen to Trey’s position (motion by Michael Peoples, 2 nd by Natasha Gilbert)

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Executive Director's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program updates • GT and Gaston Vision 2040 • New website 	<p>Gaston Vision 2040</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gaston Together is now the steering committee for Vision 2040 • County will stand up Dashboard which is using a hub version or ARCGIS • There are 5 focus area with 5 subcommittees. • Subcommittees will be listening to a lot of different people • Board Members participation in Subcommittee meetings <p>Website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New website developed using WIX was demonstrated. • Becomes active in January 2023
Gaston Vision 2040 David Fogarty, Chair Rodney Freeman, Steering Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vision 2040 Process Update 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vision 2040 must be fit into the GT Strategic Plan • Consider reviewing with your or participation on committees
Civic Engagement Leadership (Alex Poole, Chair)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CEL5 Application & Session Dates • CEL5 Recruiting • CEL Alumni Association 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leslie met with Octavia Seawell and Jennifer Davis to discuss training strategy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Leslie will be trained as a facilitator ○ Next class will be facilitated by Leslie and Jennifer • Applications for next class due by January 17. Potential participants can apply for a scholarship • Next Cohort starts in March with hopefully 21 to 25 participants. • Alumni event to be held in the Spring

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Healthcare Commission (Elliott)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GTHC • Policy & Advocacy • Health in All Policies • Gaston Controlled Substance Coalition • Healthy Gaston 	GCSC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Met 11/18/22 with 39 attending. 74% increase in overdose. • Fentanyl is a huge issue • Highland door-to-door opioid survey to gauge interest in opioid prevention program. • 130 pounds of medications collected through 10 take-back events in 2022 • Stop Stigma presents new educational videos regarding opioid stigma each month HIAP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with two consultants on HIAP projects (both funded by CaroMont): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Neighborhood voices – City of Belmont project helping articulate the needs of the underserved ○ The Racial Equity and Transportation Team – Holding workshop to develop tools for transportation planners
GC3 (Rodney Freeman)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting Update (Action) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 26 people attended the last GC3 meeting • Determined that law enforcement needs to be included in the GC3 name somehow • Re-signing covenants in February • GC3 to start an ad hoc committee to put rules around the MLK award. • MLK monument is full and will need some enhancement to provide more room. Will require some fundraising. • There was a vote to affirm the MKL Unity Award recipients of Mr. William Gross and Mr. Rafat Hamam. (Motion by Michael Peoples, 2nd by Scott Swindler)
New Business (Tad Hixson, Chair) Adjourn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Business 	None Next Meeting: February 21 @ 11:30 AM in the GBA conference room. Lunch will be provided.