

The **Quarterly Board of Directors Meeting** of the Regional Community Institute of Northeast Florida, Inc. (RCI) was held on Monday, March 28, 2016. The meeting took place at the Northeast Florida Regional Council, Soforenko Board Room, 6850 Belfort Oaks Place, Jacksonville, Florida, 32216. It started at 12:15pm.

The following RCI board members were present representing a quorum: Mr. Doug Conkey, Mr. Bob Page, Mr. Bob Rhodes, Mr. Gilbert Colon, Ms. Valerie Jenkins, Ms. Tracy Nazzaro, Mr. Jon Netts, Mr. Patrick Juliano, Mr. Benjie Bates (call-in) Ms. Mary Alice Phelan, Mr. Brad Thoburn, Dr. Quinton White.

The following staff was present: Mr. Brian Teeple, Ms. Margo Moehring.

Chair Netts called the meeting to order at 12:15pm, roll call was completed and introductions made. Chair Netts extended an invitation for any public comment. No public comment was made. The minutes of the September 26, 2016 Quarterly Board of Directors Meeting were approved by unanimous vote under a motion by Mr. Page and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Rhodes.

## Update on Policy Work:

- 2015/2016: Mr. Brian Teeple provided an update on Implementing the First Coast Vision and the Strategic Regional Policy Plan. There was discussion about the wind up of the public input related to the western part of the corridor, and speculation as to what approach might be taken here. Mr. Teeple will keep the Board posted.
- 2016/2017: Dr. Quinton White provided an update, assisted by Ms. Margo Moehring. The Committee meets the second Wednesday of the month at 2pm. The first meeting in January was well attended by both representatives of Florida and Georgia. They were asked to discuss what was important about water, and these thoughts will be combined into a draft workplan to guide the committee. There will be a discussion on water quantity at the February meeting, and the SJRWMD has agreed to assist in this discussion. Committee work is on track. The Committee is posting its materials at <a href="http://www.rcinef.org/Water-Committee.html">http://www.rcinef.org/Water-Committee.html</a>.

Ms. Margo Moehring talked about the Regional Leadership Academy, and noted that the candidates for the Class of 2017 are impressive. There was discussion on RCI's role in legislative policy. Some members thought RCI should work to influence legislative policy, some thought this was an NEFRC role, It was agreed to add a standing item to the RCI Board agenda, so that members can share their priorities and a list can be collected to be considered by the Board before the session or by NEFRC as they craft their priorities.

## General Discussion - None

<u>General Public Comment – Chair Netts once again invited public comment. None was received.</u>

Next meeting dates are March 27, June 26, and September 25, 2017 (11am RLA Graduation).

The meeting adjourned at 1:30pm.