



The **Quarterly Meeting** of the Board of Directors of the Regional Community Institute of Northeast Florida, Inc. (RCI) was held on Thursday, March 28, 2013 at 12:00pm. There was no quorum so the meeting was a workshop. The Board Meeting took place at the Northeast Florida Regional Council, 6850 Belfort Oaks Place, Jacksonville, Florida, 32216.

The following members were present:

Hon. Bob Page, Ms. Teresa Bishop (by phone), Dr. Quint White, Mr. David Strickland, Mr. Bob Rhodes, Ms. Carol Brady, Dr. Dawn Emerick, Mr. Wilfredo Gonzalez, Mr. Ed Preston

Chair Page called the meeting to order at 12:27pm, after lunch. Approval of minutes was tabled because of the lack of a quorum. The Board directed Ms. Moehring to prepare an amendment to the bylaws making the requirement for a Board quorum eight Board members.

Ms. Moehring gave the Board an update on the work of the Emergency Preparedness Committee on Sea Level Rise, with the assistance of Committee members on the Board: Chair Page, Ms. Bishop, Dr. White and Mr. Preston. Once initial response has been received to the assessment invitations, a list of assessments and dates will be provided to the Board by Ms. Moehring. There was discussion regarding the amount of community resiliency assessments needed to give credibility to that phase of work, and Board members asked to be informed if their assistance is needed to recruit communities. The Board identified the need for the public health sector to be represented on the Committee. Dr Emerick will discuss this further with Ms. Moehring. The Board recommended a briefing of the DEP Secretary after the legislative session has ended. The Board agreed with the Chair's recommendation that a draft of the policy recommendations be made available in late August.

Ms. Moehring reported on a grant application currently pending, but also reported that the Kresge Foundation rejected an application as did Sea Grant, as they were previously committed. Ms. Moehring was asked to provide the Chair with funding targets, with funding and recruitment requests targeted at legal firms, and funding requests targeted at firms that work with land use and property in the Region.

The Board discussed next steps for RCI, and agreed to use the sea level rise program as a pilot or benchmark for other studies. Once it is complete, the Board may adjust program approach to accommodate lessons learned and consider new policy work. Collaboration with other regional organizations might make sense once the Board has done that review. The next meeting will include a "white board" exercise to review potential policy issues the RCI might cover in the future.

Ms. Moehring was asked to do a poll to identify a different lunchtime date for the quarterly meeting, and this will change the date of the June meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50pm.