



The **Quarterly Meeting** of the Board of Directors of the Regional Community Institute of Northeast Florida, Inc. (RCI) was held on Monday, June 23, 2014 at 12:00 pm. The meeting took place via conference call. Staff members on the call were Brian Teeple and Margo Moehring. No members of the public participated

The following members were on the telephone at the Board Meeting:

Chair Doug Conkey, Vice Chair Mary Alice Phelan, Mr. Bob Rhodes, Mr. David Reed, Dr. Perry Bechtle, Mr. Brad Thoburn, Ms. Shari Schurr, Ms. Sarah Owen Gledhill, Ms. Teresa Bishop, Mr. Rob Palmer, and Mr. Willie Gonzalez.

Vice Chair Phelan called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm with a quorum. Chair Conkey joined the meeting at 12:05 and requested Ms. Phelan continue to run the meeting. Approval of the March 24, 2014 minutes was reached by consensus. Ms. Moehring gave an overview of the work of the Economic Development Committee on Thriving Small Business. The consensus was that the Committee is on track.

There was discussion of a nominating committee. The current committee was comprised of Ms. Phelan. Chair Conkey and Mr. Rhodes agreed to join the committee. So far, Ms. Myers, Mr. Boyle and Mr. Reed have indicated they will not seek another term, and Dr. Emerick has indicated that she will seek another term. The nominating committee will follow up with the rest of the Board members with expiring terms and will recruit from RCI general membership.

The Board discussed the staff proposal that RCI not make policy recommendations in 2015, to allow for implementation of the recommendations from 2013 (Sea Level Rise) and 2014 (Thriving Small Business). The Board reiterated its stance that its policy recommendations must be doable, and if approved by the NEFRC Board, will be done. Consensus was that much could be lost if RCI action items were not acted upon. It was agreed by consensus that the RCI Board will complete its "Thriving Small Business" recommendations document at the September 22 meeting, and then will not meet again until June 2015. At that time, they will consider a recommendation from NEFRC on a policy challenge for 2016.

There was another call for public comment but no members from the public were on the telephone. The Board was reminded that the next meeting on September 22, 2014 will be RLA graduation, the Annual Meeting and a Board meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 12:50pm.