

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Roanoke Valley – Alleghany Regional Commission**  
**Development Strategy Committee**

January 8, 2009  
3:00 PM, Greenfield Education and Training Center  
57 South Center Drive  
Daleville, VA 24083

**Committee Members:**

Present: Kevin Boggess, Carl Brinkley, Darlene Burcham, Gerald Burgess, Consuella Caudill (representing Chris Lawrence), Teresa Hammond, Ken Lanford, Kevin Persinger, David Price, Chuck Simpson, Anne Stanley, Mark Stockwell, Mark Taylor, David Trinkle, Brenda Walker, Becky Walter, Teri Workman, Hunter Young.

Absent: Don Assaid, Stephanie Brown, Ione Callender, Stephanie Clark, John Doane, Beth Doughty, Jennifer Durling, Rob Erdman, Carolyn Fidler, Richard Flora, Byron Foley, Jay Foster, James Houff, Gary Keener, Hal Mabe, Steve Mullins, Michael Maxey, Joseph McNamara, Dan O'Donnell, David Preston, Tracey Shiflett, John Strutner, Doloris Vest, Joyce Waugh.

**Others Present:**

Diane Akers, ComBiz Solutions  
Jim Griffith, Verizon  
Shawn Hildebrand, Craig-Botetourt Electrical Cooperative  
John M. Hull, RVARC  
David Kleppinger  
Wayne Strickland

**Proceedings:**

-Meeting called to order at 3:02 PM

*Welcome and Introductions:*

-Chairman Ken Lanford welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance. He asked everyone in attendance to introduce themselves.

*Presentation, RVAR CEDS Draft:*

Mr. John Hull with the Roanoke Valley –Alleghany Regional Commission presented on the RVAR CEDS development process, on the RVAR CEDS draft document, the approval process that will follow the CEDS Committee's approval of the document, and on current locality

eligibility for EDA's traditional funding programs. The powerpoint presentation is attached to this presentation.

Mr. Hull asked the committee for any questions and/or comments in relation to the draft or the information presented on the document and its approval process.

Several members of committee had questions regarding the data utilized to determine eligibility. Mr. Hull explained that EDA regulations require certain data sources and that data availability varies across data sources. For instance, US Census American Community Survey is to be used where possible but this source does not yet provide data for all localities and hence the regional table is a blend of Census ACS, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Bureau of Economic Analysis data and information.

*Consideration of Resolution to Adopt CEDS and to Recommend Consideration by the RVARC:*  
Chairman Lanford read the resolution to adopt the RVAR CEDS and asked if there were any motions from the floor. A minor correction was noted.

Motion: Ms. Teresa Hammond made the motion to adopt the CEDS and to forward to the Regional Commission for consideration as the Planning Organization.

Second: The motion was seconded by Mr. Carl Brinkley.

*Discussion of 2009 Meeting Schedule for the RVAR CEDS Committee:*

Chairman Lanford noted that the RVAR CEDS Committee will continue to meet on a quarterly basis. He presented the proposed 2009 meeting schedule to the committee members. All members present suggested that the group should continue to meet at Greenfield since it is convenient for both the Alleghany Highlands and Roanoke Valley.

The following is the meeting schedule for the 2009 year:

March 19, 2009, 3PM-4:30PM, Greenfield Education and Training Center, Expanded Seminar

June 18, 2009, 3 PM-4:30PM, Location TBD

September 17, 2009, 3 PM-4:30PM, Location TBD

December 17, 2009, 3 PM-4:30PM, Location TBD

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 PM.