



**Southwest Arkansas Planning and Development District, Inc.**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**January 13, 2016**  
**10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

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Welcome, Invocation, and Introduction of Guest:	Judge Floyd Nutt, Chairman
Review/Approval of Minutes	Judge Floyd Nutt, Chairman
Presentation of 2015-2016 Year to Date Financial Report	Shane Bennett, Finance Director
Workforce Development Update - WIOA Board Report	Gina Frederick, WIOA Board
Workforce Development Update - WIOA Program Report	Patrick Carter, Program Director
Community & Economic Development Update	Blake Harrell, CED Director
Program and Introduction of Guest Speaker	Renee Dycus, Executive Director
Re-Branding for Southwest Arkansas PDD	Terrance Clark, Founder <i>thrive.</i>
Terrance Clark with <i>thrive.</i> will lead the group in an exercise to determine the best re-branding and marketing options for SWAPDD.	
Other Business	Judge Floyd Nutt, Chairman
Lunch and Adjourn	

Southwest Arkansas Planning and Development District, Inc.  
Board of Director's Meeting  
June 30, 2015

**CALL TO ORDER**

Board of Director's Chairman, Judge Floyd Nutt called the meeting to order at 10:32 A.M. Chairman Nutt opened the meeting with prayer. Chairman Nutt then recognized the guests in attendance.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The first item of business was the approval of the February 18, 2015 minutes. A motion was made by Mayor Frank Hash (El Dorado) and a second motion was made by Judge Mike Loftin (Union County) to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mrs. Shane Bennett, Director of Finance, presented those in attendance with a copy of the 2014-2015 Year To Date Financial Report. No questions or comments were made following presentation. A motion was made by Mayor Frank Hash (El Dorado) and a second motion was made by Mayor Billy Ray McKelvy. The motion passed.

Mrs. Shane Bennett, Director of Finance, presented those in attendance with a copy of the 2016 Budget. No questions or comments were made following presentation. A motion was made by Mayor Frank Hash (El Dorado) and a second motion was made by Judge Mike Loftin (Union County) to approve the Budget as presented. The motion passed.

Mrs. Shane Bennett, Director of Finance, presented those in attendance with a copy of the 2014 Audit. No questions or comments were made following presentation. A motion was made by Mayor Frank Hash (El Dorado) and a second motion was made by Judge Greg Ray (Sevier County). The motion passed.

Mrs. Shane Bennett, Director of Finance, presented those in attendance with a copy of the proposed Financial Management & Internal Controls Policies. Following her presentation, it was asked if she could verify the \$50,000 amount for procurement. Pending the verification of this amount, a motion was made by Mayor Frank Hash (El Dorado) and a second motion was made by Judge Jimmy Jones (Dallas County). The motion passed.

**STAFF REPORTS**

***Workforce Development – Reese Broadnax, Workforce Director***

Ms. Broadnax welcomed everyone in attendance. Ms. Broadnax provided a brief update on the program along with an update on the new research grant (Promise) that is being administered by SWAPDD, Inc.

***Community & Economic Development – Blake Harrell, Director, Community and Economic Development***

Mr. Blake Harrell, Community Economic Dev. Director, welcomed everyone in attendance. Mr. Harrell gave a quick overview of current projects and also provided a tentative Hazard Mitigation Schedule.

**SPECIAL PROGRAM – HAZARD MITIGATION**

Ms. Jennifer Oakley, Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grants Coordinator for ADEM provided those in attendance with information about the revisions of their plans and also informed those in attendance that they would still be eligible for funds should a disaster occur and their plans were not revised and approved by FEMA.

**SPECIAL PROGRAM – DISASTER 101 TRAINING**

Ms. Teresa Smith, Southwest Area Coordinator for ADEM provided those in attendance with information concerning declarations from the recent flooding and also tips if they have a disaster and want/need to be declared a disaster.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Ms. Gina Frederick with the Workforce Department informed those in attendance that NEG Grants were available due to the storms that occurred during May 7-15, 2015. She asked that if anyone was interested to please get with her for more information.

Mrs. Shane Bennett, Director of Finance, informed those in attendance that there were some computer monitors, CPU's and a few chairs available to our Mayors and Judges. Mayor Hash stated he thought it would be a good idea to offer these items to the City of Stephens since they had lost their entire facility due to fire.

**LUNCH**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business meeting(s) were adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

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Floyd Nutt, Chairman