



## July 16, 2015 Minutes

**CALL TO ORDER**—Chair Donna Draxler called the meeting to order at 4:40 PM in the STC Conference room.

### **ATTENDANCE**

**Chemung County** – Ted Bennett; Donna Draxler; Ernie Hartman; Randy Olthof; Thomas Sweet; Tom Tranter

**Schuyler County** – Phil Barnes; Dennis Fagan; Judy McKinney Cherry; Tim O’Hearn; Kristin VanHorn

**Steuben County** – Amy Dlugos; James Johnson; Joe Hauryski; Steven Maio; Jack Wheeler

**STC Staff** – Marcia Weber; Susan Cratsley; Victoria Ehlen; Chelsea Robertson; Kemberli Sargent

**INTRODUCTION** – Chair Donna Draxler introduced Steuben County Manager and new STC board member, Jack Wheeler.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** – On a motion duly made (Hartman/Bennett) and carried, the minutes from the June 18, 2015 meeting were approved.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **1. Audit Committee**

- a) **Abstract of Claims** – the audit committee reviewed abstracts totaling \$38,049.73. On a motion duly made (Tranter/Fagan) and carried, the abstracts were approved.

### **REGIONAL PROGRAM ACTIVITIES**

1. **ARC Application Review and Ratings – BOARD ACTION – 2016 ARC Project Review and Ratings** (see below) – Tom Tranter reported on the projects reviewed by the Economic Development Policy Committee, and Amy Dlugos reported for the Regional Human Services Committee. Each gave an overview of the applications received for fiscal year 2016. The projects and scores are as follows:

**APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION**  
**Fiscal Year 2016**  
**SOUTHERN TIER CENTRAL REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD**  
**July 16, 2015**

Number	Project Name Descriptions	Score	Project ARC Amount	Match	Total Project Cost	Project Sponsor
1607	<b>Connecting Southern Tier Libraries to Southern Tier Network's Open Access Dark Fiber</b> Southern Tier Library System seeks project support for construction costs to connect 17 public library outlets to Southern Tier Network's open access dark fiber in Chemung, Schuyler and Steuben counties to develop economic, education and social opportunities in Southern Tier communities.	75	\$150,000	\$150,894	\$300,894	Southern Tier Library System
1604	<b>City of Corning Economic Development Strategy</b> This project will include preparation of an Economic Development Strategy for the City of Corning. The Strategy will be based on non-traditional site-based economic development and will focus on small scale innovative and entrepreneurial businesses and business activities. The strategic will enhance the City's role as a regional population center for technology, manufacturing, and destination tourism.	69	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$60,000	City of Corning, NY
1601	<del><b>WITHDRAWN..Community approach to address behavioral health issues of young children</b> This project will train school districts and providers of early education in a research-based behavior management method to address behavioral health issues that help young children develop the self-regulation skills they need for school readiness and academic achievement and ultimately to become stable, contributing members of the community and workforce.</del>	65	\$8,235	\$8,235	\$16,470	Pro-Action of Steuben and Yates

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1605	<b>Town of Dix Water District Improvement Project</b> The Town of Dix will add an aeration device to its water system in order to reduce the presence of potentially carcinogenic disinfectant byproducts. The current inferior quality of the water is a significant barrier to attracting businesses to the Schuyler County Business Park. As a result, this project is a necessary piece of economic development infrastructure that will enable opportunities for significant private investment and job creation.	65	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$150,000	Town of Dix, NY
1606	<b>Makerspace-Developing Innovators and Innovation in Southern Tier Central New York</b> The project will create and nurture entrepreneurs and a skilled workforce, and support startups through the development of Makerspace at Incubator Works ELM. A Makerspace is a physical location where people gather to share resources and knowledge, work on projects, network, and build. The Makerspace will provide tools and space in an open access area.	64	\$120,820	\$120,250	\$241,070	Alfred Technology Resources, Inc.
1602	<b>CCE Schuyler Small Farm Demonstration Incubator &amp; Education Center</b> Investigation and conceptual design to establish a new small farm demonstration site, incubator and Cornell Cooperative Extension education center, located on a potential donor property in the Town of Dix, Schuyler County, New York.	56	\$21,450	\$26,168	\$47,618	Cornell Cooperative Extension Schuyler County
1603	<b>Schuyler County Diabetes Self Management Project</b> This project will create access to a Diabetes Self-Management Program currently not available in Schuyler County.	51	\$39,461	\$39,131	\$78,592	Schuyler County Public Health Department

<b>Total</b>	\$444,966	\$449,678	\$894,644
<b>Total ARC FY16 Request</b>	<b>\$436,731</b>	<b>\$441,443</b>	<b>\$878,174</b>

**TOTAL RECOMMENDED ARC PROJECTS FOR FY 2016 \$436, 731**

On a motion duly made (O'Hearn/Johnson) and carried, the board accepted the committees' scores and recommends them to the NYS Department of State and the Appalachian Regional Commission.

It was noted that a second round of applications may take place later this year.

2. **Keuka Lake Project** – STC staff is working on planning issues for Keuka Lake with municipalities around the Keuka Lake Watershed, the Keuka Lake Association, and interns from Hobart and William Smith Colleges and Cornell University. The focus is on Keuka Lake, and a number of reports and documents have been produced. The goal is to put this information into a guide that is useful for the area. The project is to be completed by April 30, 2016. For more information, visit the website at [www.sustainablekeuka.net](http://www.sustainablekeuka.net).
3. **Schuyler County NYSEDA Project** – STC staff, along with Schuyler County Planner, Kristin VanHorn, continues to work with several municipalities in Schuyler County to update their comprehensive plans to meet the NYSEDA Cleaner Greener requirements. The Village of Montour Falls will be conducting a survey and putting together focus groups for their comprehensive plan. The Town of Catharine and the Town of Dix are beginning to work on their zoning regulations to match their comprehensive plans. The Town of Reading is working on a survey.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

1. **Cancellation of August meeting and next Board Meeting** – with no objections from board members, the August board meeting will be cancelled. The next board meeting will be on September 24, 2015 (change in regular schedule).

**ADJOURN** – on a motion duly made (Hartman/Dlugos) and carried, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

**Other** – after the board meeting adjourned, the board members discussed changing the time of the board meeting to 9:00 a.m. Marcia will send out an email to poll the board members.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Cratsley  
Executive Assistant