

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE July 27, 2015 MEETING OF THE FAIRFAX COUNTY
SMALL BUSINESS COMMISSION**

Location: Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia, Conference Room 9.

Attending: **SBC Members:** Bea Malone, John Pellegrin, Ed Reniker, Cyrus Sobhani, Eva Freund, Marvin Powell, Kelly Pride-Hebron

Staff (Department of Purchasing and Supply Management)
Cathy A. Muse

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by Chair Malone.

Minutes from the July 27, 2015 meeting were approved unanimously, as amended.

Committee Reports

Communications - Ed Reniker - Reviewed the survey tool under development for attendees at the Vendor Forum who visit the SBC table. 3 minutes to complete. Discussed getting information about the Vendor Comments Board -will collaborate with Katy Fike. Discussed a brochure with SBC member names, photos, district and contact information.

Vendor Forum – Marvin Powell – Discussed workshops: Marketing and Finance. Established conference call at 10am on Friday 7/31 for SBC to discuss workshop details, presenters, etc. Suggested moderated panels vs presenters only. He proposed that an SBC Commissioner moderate each panel. May have Senator Warner to do opening session. DPSM to check Chairman Bulova’s office for her availability to do the opening session. Kelly brought up “speed dating”. Will consider for this year but most likely for next year.

Ombuds - No report

Legislative and Policy – Cyrus Sobhani – August 2015 newsletter pending

Community Business Partnership – Kelly Pride-Hebron- CBP expanding their area. More exposure. Kelly feels that there is opportunity for SBC to work with CBP. CBP has expanded training to online as well as in-person. They are committed to Vendor Forum. Invite CBP to come to the Oct 26 SBC meeting to talk about their expansion.

Office of Emergency Management – No Report

Strategic Planning - No Report

Economic Advisory Committee - No report

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Executive – No Report

Vendor Comments -No report

Education and Outreach – No Report

New Business - No New Business

Staff Report - No report

Old Business - No Old Business

Announcements –

Marvin – Looking for ideas for educating small businesses.

John – WPFG didn't receive the media coverage they believed it would. Appalling. Doesn't have number of participants, family or economic impact. Aside from coverage, it was a compelling event.

Adjournment

Chair Malone adjourned the meeting at 8:20pm.