

- Date:Monday, February 17, 2025, 4:30 pmSpartanburg Community College, Dr. Benjamin Snoddy Boardroom
- **Subject:** Minutes from The Enterprise Campus Authority Meeting
- Attendees: Chairman Keller, Secretary Hill, Commissioner Fowler, Commissioner Kennedy, Commissioner O'Neill, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Hamrick, Dr. Mikota, Mr. Burroughs, Dr. Obi, Mrs. Walker, Mr. Aughinbaugh, Mrs. Harris, Ms. James, Ms. Williams
- Absent: Commissioner Bell, Commissioner King, Commissioner Sarratt, Commissioner Radford, Ms. Hughes, Dr. Satterfield, Mrs. Painter
 - I. Chairman Keller called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.
 - II. ENTERPRISE CAMPUS AUTHORITY MINUTES

Chairman Keller presented the January 27, 2025, meeting minutes, which previously had been shared with the Members and asked if any Member had edits or questions. Hearing no amendments or objections, Chairman Keller asked for a motion to approve the minutes as written. Commissioner Anderson motioned to approve January 27, 2025, meeting minutes, Commissioner Smith seconded the motion, and all voted aye.

III. CONSENT AGENGA ITEMS

Chairman Keller presented the Consent Agenda Items, which previously had been shared with the Members and asked if any Member had edits or questions. Hearing no amendments or objections, Chairman Keller asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented. Commissioner Fowler motioned to approve the Consent Agenda Items, Commissioner Hill seconded the motion, and all voted aye.

IV. SPARK CENTER CLIENT STATUS REPORT presented by Mr. Burroughs, VP Finance Mr. Burroughs presented the 2024 Economic Impact Study numbers, which is based on the clients housed at the Spark Center: Over the last 17 years, the Spark Center has served over 160 companies, created 130,104 jobs, with a \$222M in combined tax revenue and an impact of \$52.6B.

YTD 2024-2025 5 – Soft Landings: Omron Gonzales Mechanical Solutions *Milo's Tea* Hammer IMS** Gunnebo Entrance Control* 5 – Small Business Incubator: Modular Accessories Sunna Fiber Methodic Technologies *RL Enterprise Associates* S&R Executive Services** 6 – Workforce Employment Services: MAU for BMW Bernard Group Cytiva Smart Press Milo's Tea Michelin 3 – Special Projects: AWL Automation Hypersign, LLC

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*Companies that have moved out since July 2025

At the conclusion of Mr. Burroughs presentation, the floor was opened for questions. Chairman Keller asked if the companies that leave the Spark Center are establishing roots in this area? Mr. Burroughs responded that one of the conditions for rental at the Spark Center is that the company has to permanently locate within Spartanburg County whether it be by building, buying or leasing a building. At this time Commissioner O'Neill thanked Mr. Burroughs and his team at the Spark Center. Per Commissioners O'Neill and Smith, the Spark Center is the only type of facility like this in the country that operates as well as it does. Commissioner O'Neill also commented that the Spark Center has been an integral part of companies deciding to come to this area.

Commissioner Hamrick asked if the new Spark Center at the Cherokee County Campus will require that a company will have to permanently settle in the area. Dr. Mikota confirmed that the same model will be implemented in Cherokee County.

At this time the floor was again opened for questions, no further questions were put forth. Chairman Keller thanked Mr. Burroughs for the Spark Center Client Status Report.

V. ADJOURN

Chairman Keller asked for a motion to Adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Kennedy motioned to Adjourn. Commissioner Fowler seconded the motion. All voted aye, and the meeting Adjourned at 4:41 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Tracey Hill

Mrs. Tracey Hill, Secretary