



Minutes from...
Tech Farm II Special Board Meeting
March 12, 2021 at 10 am via Zoom

Members in Attendance (alphabetical by last name):

Sage Gerling, Michael Manikowski (Chairman), Jan Nyrop, Michael Nozzolio, William Strassburg, Brendan Tydings, Catharine Young

Non- Members in attendance (alphabetical by last name):

Sarah Meyer, Harry Sicherman

No formal agenda.

Michael Manikowski began the meeting at 10:02 am.

EDA procurement process was accepted. Brendan Tydings and Harry Sicherman are working with MRB contacts to move ahead with obtaining schematic and plans for Hunt Engineers to move forward with Tech Farm II project. A meeting is scheduled with Hunt Engineers.

Board members discussed what financial opportunities exist for Tech Farm I prior to completion of Tech farm II. Harry Sicherman will investigate additional funding opportunities for food and agriculture projects. Michael Nozzolio encourages consideration for TF III planning. Catharine Young adds that the CoE has multiple clients interested. Brendan Tydings complemented that any creation of useable space is a plus for the Park and clients seeking space. Catharine Young and Brendan Tydings will explore opportunities to invite developers to the Park. Harry Sicherman identified 4 key revenue sources, including local sources. Jan Nyrop echoes need for financial security in TFI as TFII is constructed. Brendan Tydings recommended asking tenants for suggestions. Harry Sicherman will investigate incentive programs, specifically with LED lighting. Sarah Meyer suggested that the HVAC upgrade may decrease energy usage.

Regarding TFI incubator status, Bill Strassburg updates the Board with his communications of a TFI profile. Becoming a certified incubator is expected to be a competitive process. A letter will be drafted and sent to Bill Strassburg's contacts and others.

Meeting concludes at 11:15 am.