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**OLYMPIC REGIONAL
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
Lake Placid Conference Center, 2634 Main Street, Lake Placid, NY
April 12, 2024
11:00 a.m.

AGENDA

- I. INTRODUCTION:**
 - a. Roll Call**
 - b. Approval of Minutes from March 8, 2024 Governance Committee Meeting**

- II. DISCUSSION:**
 - Mission Statement Performance Measures and Proposed Resolution #524.**

- III. MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS A MATTER LEADING TO THE EMPLOYMENT, PROMOTION, DEMOTION, DISCIPLINE, SUSPENSION, DISMISSAL, OR REMOVAL OF A PARTICULAR PERSON**

- IV. ADJOURN**



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Governance Committee Meeting Minutes March 8, 2024

Present: Chris Pushkarsh, Chair
Diane Munro
Steve Hunt
Art Lussi
Joe Martens

Also Present: Ashley Walden, President & CEO
Michelle Crew, General Counsel

Introduction: Chris Pushkarsh called the meeting to order at 11:14 a.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance.

Chris Pushkarsh explained that the meeting was being videotaped and a link to the recording and transcript would be made available at www.orda.org.

Chris Pushkarsh then asked for a roll call, and confirmed a quorum was present.

Minutes: On a motion by Art Lussi, seconded by Joe Martens, the minutes of the Governance Committee meeting held on September 22, 2023, were approved without changes.

Discussion: Chris Pushkarsh explained that the first item on the agenda was the Revised and Updated Code of Ethics Policy and Proposed Resolution # 523.

Michelle Crew explained that the most significant change is the update to the previously stated rules on nepotism, which prohibited relatives from working in the same chain of command. The Olympic Authority now has a more flexible interpretation of that part of the law that allows for relatives to be in the same chain of command as long as there is an alternative form of supervision, so they are not reporting to someone they are related to.

Several other policy clarifications or updates included the definition of an interested source, the requirements of policy makers, and guidance for employees participating in outside political activities.

Chris Pushkarsh asked for a motion to recommend that the Board of Directors adopt proposed resolution #523 as presented.

On a motion by Diane Munro, seconded by Steve Hunt.

5 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, the motion carries unanimously.

Executive Session: On a motion by Diane Munro, seconded by Steve Hunt, the Governance Committee entered into Executive Session to discuss the employment history of a particular person and matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person.

Public Session: On a motion by, seconded by, the Governance Committee exited Executive Session and resumed public session. No action was taken during Executive Session.

Chair: Chris Pushkarsh announced that the meeting's business had concluded.

Adjournment: On a motion by Steve Hunt, seconded by Art Lussi, the meeting of the Governance Committee was adjourned at 12:42 p.m.

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Resolution # 524

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS
FOR THE OLYMPIC AUTHORITY'S MISSION**

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Olympic Regional Development Authority (“Olympic Authority”) held on April 12, 2024, the Board Chair offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Authorities Law § 2824-a, the Olympic Authority Board of Directors is charged with developing and submitting to the Authorities Budget Office (ABO), on an annual basis, the Olympic Authority’s Mission Statement, together with a list of Performance Measurements by which the achievement of its Mission may be evaluated; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution #439, in February 2022, the Olympic Authority Board of Directors approved and adopted the Olympic Authority’s Mission Statement; and

WHEREAS, the attached list of Performance Measures has been developed by the Governance Committee and the Governance Committee has recommended that the Board of Directors approve and adopt the attached Performance Measures for posting on the Olympic Authority website and for submission to the ABO in accordance with the requirements of Public Authorities Law §2800, 2824-a; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements of Public Authorities Law § 2824-a, the attached list includes the identification of the Olympic Authority’s stakeholders and their reasonable expectations which, upon approval by the Board of Directors, will be followed by a self-evaluation of the Olympic Authority based on the stated measurements; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has reviewed the Mission Statement and the proposed Performance Measures and has considered both in the context of the ABO guidance to public authorities for best practices in this regard; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors hereby acknowledges that its members have read and understand the Mission of the Olympic Authority; and

WHEREAS, it is the consensus of the members of the Olympic Authority Board of Directors that the attached list of Performance Measures together with the attached list of identified stakeholders and their reasonable expectations will provide a sound basis for a self-evaluation that will enable the Olympic Authority to determine whether and how well it is performing its Mission, and whether and how well the Olympic Authority is meeting the interests of its stakeholders, and will thereby provide the means by which the Board of Directors may work with Olympic Authority management and staff to identify whether there are changes that can or should be implemented to enable the Olympic Authority to be more efficient and/or effective in carrying out its Mission and meeting the interests of its stakeholders;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that after careful consideration and due deliberation, the Olympic Authority Board of Directors hereby approves and adopts the attached

list of Performance Measures for posting on the Olympic Authority website together with the Olympic Authority Mission Statement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Olympic Authority Board of Directors approves the attached list of Olympic Authority stakeholders and their reasonable expectations, which will be used by the Olympic Authority, together with the approved Performance Measures, to perform a self-evaluation, and to submit all required information to the ABO and as part of the Olympic Authority’s annual filing in accordance with Public Authorities Law §§ 2800, 2824-a.

SO RESOLVED,

MOVED BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

and

ADOPTED BY the following vote:

Excused/Abstained:

Against:

Edward Kowalewski, Jr., Acting Secretary to the Board, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

The above Resolution # 524 was duly passed by the Board of Directors on April 12, 2024.

Signature _____

Title: Acting Secretary to the Board of Directors

Sworn to before me this _____ day of April, 2024

Notary Public, State of New York