

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Thursday, December 13, 2018 10:00 AM Schrafft's City Center, 529 Main Street, Suite 201, Charlestown, MA 02129

#### **AGENDA**

I.	Establishment of Quorum
II.	Administrative Matters and Governance
III.	FY17 vs. FY18 Loan Activity Presentation
IV.	Marketing & Outreach
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Next N	Meeting: February 7, 2019



## Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors

December 13, 2018 10:00 AM 529 Main Street, Suite 201, Charlestown, MA 02129

**Directors in Attendance:** Chair: Esther Schlorholtz, John Farmer, Janet Fogarty, Joe Kriesberg,

Carmen Panacopoulos, David Slutz, William Tinti, Sushil Tuli

**Directors Not in** 

**Attendance:** 

Nam Pham, Ed Owens, Warren Pepicelli

**Other Attendees:** Larry Andrews, Katie Janowski, Neil Martin, Angela Miele, John Santos

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Growth Capital Corporation (MGCC) was held at 529 Main Street, Suite 201, Charlestown, MA 02129 on December 13, 2018 at 10:00 AM pursuant to notice duly given.

## **Establishment of Quorum**

The Chair noted the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

The Chair called for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2018 Board of Directors meeting. Thereupon, after a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on

October 11, 2018 with the addition of the including the motion to enter Executive Session

after the Credit Committee update.

The Chair called for a motion to approve the executive session minutes of the October 11, 2018 Board of Directors meeting. Thereupon, after a motion duly made and seconded, it was

**VOTED:** To approve the executive session minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on

October 11, 2018.

## **2019 Meeting Dates**

Mr. Andrews presented the proposed meeting schedule for 2019. He presented an offer to change the meeting time from 10:00 AM to 9:00 AM. The committee unanimously agreed to keep the meeting time at 10:00 AM.

#### Introduction of John Santos, Senior Loan Officer

Mr. Andrews introduced MGCC's newest Senior Loan Officer, John Santos, to the Board of Directors. Board members welcomed Mr. Santos.

## **Credit Committee & Financials Update**

Mr. Martin gave an update of the Credit Committee and reported that the portfolio is performing and the pipeline is beginning to show more activity. He also discussed the financials, informing the members that MGCC's operating expenses have been reflective of the market and are break even.

Ms. Miele told the board that the credit team has hired a new Credit Officer, Day Ann Kelley, who will be starting on January 9, 2019 and Don MacQuarrie has transferred from the position of Credit Officer to Senior Loan Officer.

## **Compliance Update (Audit Committee)**

Mr. Martin provided an update on compliance and informed members that MGCC is in compliance for all known and required reporting and activities due by 09/30/18. He went on to discuss the most recent public records request made by the Inspector General for MGCC's HR policy. He also updated members on the status of the state audit.

## Subcommittee for the Small Business Technical Assistance Grant Program's Study

The board formed a subcommittee to review the recent study of the Small Business Technical Assistance Grant Program. The subcommittee will be chaired by Mr. Kriesberg and members include Ms. Panacopoulos and Ms. Schlorholtz. It was discussed to plan a meeting after the new year to examine the study's results.

#### FY17 vs. FY18 Loan Activity

Mr. Martin presented a comparison report of overall loan activity between FY2017 and FY2018. There was a suggestion to add segmented industries into future reports.

#### **Marketing & Outreach**

Ms. Janowski provided an update to the board on recent MGCC marketing initiatives. Mr. Andrews provided additional comments on the Merrimack Valley Small Business Emergency Loan Fund.

Mr. Andrews went on to discuss MGCC's participation with Eastern Bank's Business Equity Initiative (BEI). Following the update, a suggestion was made that MGCC's efforts should be discussed with MassBankers Association and then return to Board for further conversation.

After discussion and upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting.

Katie Janowski, Recorder