

**KENTUCKY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD
SPECIAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
DECEMBER 30, 2025
MINUTES**

A special meeting of the Executive Committee of the Kentucky Economic Development Partnership Board convened at 2:0p p.m. on Tuesday, December 30, 2025, through both in person attendance and video conference. The primary location for the meeting where all members could be seen and heard and the public was able to attend in accordance with KRS 61.826 and 61.840 was the Conference Room at 500 Mero Street, Mayo-Underwood Bldg, 5th Fl, Frankfort, Kentucky. While participants, media and members of the general public were able to attend the board meeting in person at the primary location, a virtual link was provided for a video teleconference.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Lindy Karns, Vice Chair of the CED Partnership Board, called the meeting to order and verified press notification. Karen Yates called the roll.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Lindy Karns and Secretary Jeff Noel

NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Governor Andy Beshear

OTHERS PRESENT

Karen Yates, Matt Wingate, Chad Zimlich, Cabinet for Economic Development.

NEW BUSINESS

- AGENDA AND MEETING SCHEDULE – ANNUAL BASIS

Secretary Noel proposed the CED Partnership Board meeting schedule for 2026 and identify the right cadence for these meetings on an annual basis. Reflected in the guidelines, we would like to have a Partnership Board meeting in the first quarter of each year to review the Governor’s budget that will go before the legislature and discuss the budget for the Cabinet for Economic Development and any major legislative priorities the Governor has overall. The meeting would also address any housekeeping items that are associated with the obligations of the Partnership Board.

As part of the first quarter meeting, we would like to present our Cabinet goals, objectives and values to the board for the upcoming year. We would also like to have a meeting in the fourth quarter of each year to present “A Year in Review” and look at our accomplishments and assess the objectives for the following year.

Secretary Jeff Noel moved to adopt a schedule of meetings, Lindy Karns seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Lindy Karns made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Secretary Jeff Noel. The motion carried.



Andy Beshear, Governor

Chairman of the Kentucky Economic Development Partnership