

Rural Development Council (RDC) Meeting
ND Department of Commerce
TEAMS Meeting
May 26, 2021 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Teran Doerr
Shawn Kessel
Antoinette Heier
Joyce ShiningOne Side
Dawn Mandt
Daniel Stenberg

MEMBERS ABSENT

Senator Janne Myrdal Jay Doan
Carol Peterson Lindsey Lipp
KayCee Lindsey KayCee Lindesy
Gwen Crawford Megan Laudenschlager

Committee Roles

Chair Doerr is stepping down from the RDC by October of 2021, transitioning to the Economic Development Association of ND (EDND). Today's discussion will focus on succession roles within the council and layout of the August Agenda.

Leadership Positions & Term Discussion

Members discussed positions needed going forward.

1. **Positions** on the council to include:
 - Chair
 - Past Chair – provides continuity from one year to the next.
 - Vice Chair
 - No need for Secretary/Treasurer
2. **Bylaws** of the council were formed in 2013
 - Review of the Bylaws – Sherri will send out the bylaws for review, before the next council meeting in August.
3. **Subcommittees** within the council (3) - each position of Chair, past Chair, and Vice Chair would lead a subcommittee.
4. **Reappointments** were made last year with all staying on. The council has a minimum of 9 members and a maximum of 17 listed in statute.
5. **Geographic Duties** are self-imposed within the council, and not given a defined number per region in statute.
6. **Ex-Officio members** – Recommendation to have organization representation on the council, providing resources and insight or having groups that focus on the topic on the agenda, can be pulled in for more response.
 - EDND
 - SBDC
 - Rural Leadership
 - NDSU Extension

August 17th meeting to be held in person with the option for a TEAMS connection

Tentative AGENDA layout includes:

- Bylaws Review
 - Recommendations for change and adoption
- Membership roster and open seats
 - Confirm terms with addition of more members
- Succession plan
 - Discussion if not outlined in Bylaws
- Committee Reports
 - Updates
- New Commerce Staff
 - MSI Staff