

KENTUCKY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

SPECIAL MEETING

March 27, 2019

MINUTES

Call to Order

The Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority convened at 3:00 p.m. EDT, March 27, 2019, at the Cabinet for Economic Development, Old Capitol Annex, 300 West Broadway, Board of Directors Conference Room, 1st Floor, in Frankfort, Kentucky, for a special meeting to consider a Kentucky Business Investment (KBI) and Kentucky Enterprise Initiative Act (KEIA) project in Meade County. Other site, via video conference, was Community Trust Bank, Inc., 346 North Mayo Trail, 5th Floor Conference Room, Pikeville, Kentucky.

Notification of Press

Jean R. Hale, Chairman, received verification that the media had been notified of the KEDFA Special Board Meeting.

Roll Call

Members Present: Jean R. Hale, J. Don Goodin, Melinda Hill, proxy for Secretary William M. Landrum, III and Joe Kelly

Staff Present: Jessica Burke, Sarah Butler, Michelle Elder, Kate Greenwell, Joe Lilly, Brandon Mattingly, Debbie Phillips, Katie Smith and Teresa Spreitzer

Others Present: Morgan Watkins, Courier Journal

KBI Project (Preliminary) and KEIA Project

Jean Hale called on staff to present the KBI and KEIA project to the Authority.

Nucor Corporation Meade County

Katie Smith stated Nucor Corporation and its affiliates are manufacturers of steel products, with operating facilities primarily in the U.S. and Canada. Nucor is considering growing its operations by constructing a new state-of-the-art plate mill facility and is considering Brandenburg for this location. The new plate mill would enhance Nucor's ability to serve its customers in the region as well as the needs of its customers around the world.

Katie Smith Michelle Elder

Michelle Elder stated the project investment is \$1,358,525,000, all of which qualifies as KBI eligible costs and \$177,265,000 qualifies as KEIA eligible costs. The highest job target over the term of the agreement is 400 with an average hourly wage of \$45.00 including benefits. The state wage assessment participation is 5.0%. The company will be required to maintain 90% of the total statewide full-time, Kentucky resident employees at all company locations, excluding the site of the project, as of the date of preliminary approval.

Staff recommended preliminary approval of the KBI negotiated tax incentive amount of \$30,000,000 and the KEIA approved recovery amount of \$10,000,000 for construction materials and building fixtures.

Don Goodin moved to approve the staff recommendation, as presented; Melinda Hill seconded the motion. Motion passed; unanimous.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Hale entertained a motion to adjourn.

Joe Kelly moved to adjourn the KEDFA Special Board Meeting; Ms. Hill seconded the motion. Motion passed; unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

**APPROVED
PRESIDING OFFICER:**



Jean R. Hale, Chairman