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**ARKANSAS SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY**

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
ARKANSAS SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
LITTLE ROCK, AR  
JULY 17, 1998**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Mr. Michael Murphy, Chairman of the Board. The meeting was held via conference call, with the call originating in the Authority's conference room at 100 Main Street, Suite 450 in Little Rock.

Board members present included: Dr. Joel Anderson, Dr. Ed Crowe, Mr. William Dempsey, Dr. Charles Hathaway, Ms. Catherine Janosky, Mr. D.W. May, Mr. Stephen Nipper, Mr. Anthony Rampley, Dr. Harry Ward and Ms. Donna Young.

Staff members present included: Ms. Melissa Adams, Dr. John Ahlen, Mr. Jerry Buckingham, Mr. Michael Greer, Mr. Les Lane, Dr. Herb Monoson, Mr. Chuck Myers and Ms. Joyce Sadler.

**INVESTMENT COMMITTEE REPORT**

Ms. Donna Young presented the Investment Committee Report.

Draft Resolution 99-01 provides for the formal acceptance of Technology Transfer Assistance Grant (TTAG) projects funded since May 15, 1998. There were a total of nine projects funded.

Assisted Enterprise	Application Description	TASP	TTAG Funds
Burton Pools & Spas Fort Smith, AR 98-TTAG-0004	Computer Assisted Drafting Assistance App. Rec'd 7/24/97	WCC/MEP	\$ 3,750
National Filtration Corporation Star City, AR 98-TTAG-0010	ISO 9000 Assistance App. Rec'd 8/20/97	WCC	\$ 3,750
Tri-Links Technologies Pine Bluff, AR 98-TTAG-0040	Plant Layout Assistance App. Rec'd 9/19/98	SAU/MEP	\$1,000
MacLean-ESNA Pocahontas, AR 98-TTAG-0042	QS-9000 Implementation Assistance App. Rec'd 5/4/98	UALR/MEP	\$3,745
Evans-St. Clair East Camden, AR 98-TTAG-0043	QS 9000 Implementation Assistance App. Rec'd 5/8/98	UALR/MEP	\$3,742
ASE Company Jonesboro, AR 98-TTAG-0044	ISO 9002 Implementation Assistance App. Rec'd 5/15/98	UALR/MEP	\$3,750
Garreco, Inc. Heber Springs, AR 98-TTAG-0046	ISO 9002 Implementation Assistance App. Rec'd 5/18/98	UALR/MEP	\$3,750
Arkansas Microelectronics Development Corporation Fayetteville, AR 98-TTAG-0047	SBIR Assistance App. Rec'd 5/19/98	UAF	\$1,435
Transmedica International Little Rock, AR 98-TTAG-0050	ISO 9001 Implementation Assistance App. Rec'd 5/27/98	UALR/MEP	\$3,350

Ms. Young made a motion for the approval of Draft Resolution 99-01. Ms. Janosky seconded the motion. Dr. Anderson and Dr. Hathaway stated that five of the projects funded were from UALR, the institution of their affiliation. The Board gave its unanimous approval.

Draft Resolution 99-02 provides for the Seed Capital Investment in Audio Access, Incorporated. The proposed investment in the amount of \$100,000 would be used for a portion of the company's working capital.

Les Lane stated that the company has requested a loan from the Arkansas Capital Corporation and the approval of that loan was contingent on the Authority also providing funding for the project.

There being no further discussion, Ms. Young made a motion for the approval of Draft Resolution 99-02. Dr. Crowe seconded the motion; the Board gave its unanimous approval.

**INDUSTRY COMMITTEE REPORT**

Ms. Janosky presented the Industry Committee report.

Draft Resolution 99-03 provides for the funding of four field engineers for the Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network. A total \$202,502 will be used as a match for the NIST award to the Network, and will support field engineers from August 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998. The four field engineers are located at the following institutions:

Arkansas Center for Technology Transfer at the University of Arkansas Fayetteville, in an amount not to exceed \$48,753.00;

College of Science & Engineering Technology/Graduate Institute of Technology at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock in an amount not to exceed \$47,378.00;

Center for Economic Development/College of Engineering at Arkansas State University in an amount not to exceed \$46,753.00;

Business and Industrial Institute at Westark College, in an amount not to exceed \$46,753.00.

Ms. Janosky made a motion for the approval of Draft Resolution 99-03. Ms. Young seconded the motion. Dr. Anderson and Dr. Hathaway stated that a portion of the funding was awarded to UALR, the institution of their affiliation. The Board gave its unanimous approval.

Draft Resolution 99-04 provides for the funding of four field engineers of the Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network. A total of \$985,360 will be used as a match for the NIST award to the Network, and will support field engineers from August 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998. The four field engineers are located at the following institutions:

Arkansas Center for Technology Transfer at the University of Arkansas Fayetteville, in an amount not to exceed \$47,253.00;

College of Science & Engineering Technology/Graduate Institute of Technology at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock in an amount not to exceed \$47,628.00;

Center for Competitive Manufacturing at Southern Arkansas University in an amount not to exceed \$46,753.00;

Business and Industrial Institute at Westark College, in an amount not to exceed \$46,753.00.

Ms. Janosky made a motion for the approval of Draft Resolution 99-04. Ms. Young seconded the motion. Dr. Anderson and Dr. Hathaway stated that a portion of the funding was awarded to UALR, the institution of their affiliation. The Board gave its unanimous approval.

Draft Resolution 99-05 provides for funding of two partners of the Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network. The funding is for the following partners:

Winrock International, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000;

Center for Economic Development at Henderson State University, in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.

Ms. Janosky made a motion for the approval of Draft Resolution 99-05. Mr. May seconded the motion; the Board gave its unanimous approval.

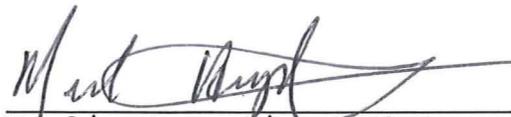
#### OTHER BUSINESS

Dr. Crowe asked if there would be any action on the ADventures in Excellence project, which was discussed at the May Board meeting. Dr. Hathaway stated that the ad hoc committee would be meeting sometime in August and would present their report at the September Board meeting.

#### ADJOURNMENT

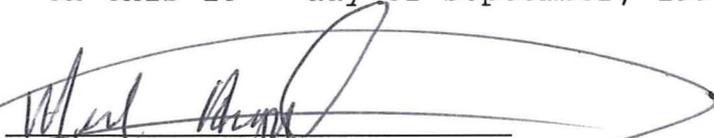
There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Merlin Augustine, Ed.D.  
Secretary  
Board of Directors

Approved by the Board of Directors  
on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1998



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