

RESOLUTION NUMBER 13, 2016

Resolution to adopt pilot project funding for the Fairview School District STEMWORKS Pilot Project

Whereas, ECGRA's mission of economic and community development recognizes the importance of school districts, corporations, and citizen groups working together in a public-private partnership to address the needs of youth development;

Whereas, the Economic Development Financing Law recognizes that economic insecurity due to unemployment is at any time a serious menace to the people of the Commonwealth in areas of urban and rural blight;

Whereas, the Economic Development Financing Law states expressly that entities like ECGRA may have as one of its purposes the alleviation or elimination of unemployment;

Whereas, ECGRA's Strategic Plan recognizes that supporting the advanced industries through STEM – Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math -- is a conceptual framework central to the region's economic vitality;

Whereas, programs that develop the next generation through STEM employment opportunities and career pathways are necessary components of a healthy community;

Whereas, the Fairview School District STEMWORKS Program has been selected to execute an economic and workforce-driven strategy to alleviate unemployment and improve the prospects for youth primarily in Erie County to the extent outlined in the attached Exhibit "A";

Whereas, ECGRA has selected the Fairview School District Foundation to further said pilot concept with a grant of \$39,150, which will be matched 1-1 by the partners;

Whereas, ECGRA declares the following milestones to be measured and analyzed as part of the pilot project:

1. The successful integration of STEM curriculum for grades K-12
2. The implementation of STEM kits in science curriculum
3. The establishment of a STEMWORKS Academy for high school students
4. The development of teacher training for the program

Whereas, the Fairview School District Foundation shall report to ECGRA within 12 months as to the successes, failures, and obstacles encountered so that ECGRA may determine whether to refine the program prior to considering whether to offer funding for other community centers.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority, pursuant to the Economic Development Financing Law and the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Bylaws, resolves to adopt the Fairview STEMWORKS pilot project to the extent outlined in this document and attachments.

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____.

This resolution was passed on the 9th day of June, 2016 by a vote of _____ - _____.

ERIE COUNTY GAMING REVENUE AUTHORITY

Chairman, Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
June 9, 2016

ATTEST:

Secretary, ECGRA