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Grant Review Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, March 26, 2024

Time: 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Committee Members: Brian Cox (acting chair), Jake Reynolds, ~~Jay Larsen, Jeff Greene, Joe Maloney, Kelly Kolb, Rico Barrera~~, Adrian San Miguel, Amanda Logan, Sergio Mendoza

Staff: Denise Hill, Matthew Thomsen, Rebecca Watson, Stacy James

Guests: Emmy Power IRC, Emily Williams IRC

Call to order at 3:02 p.m.

Welcome

Roll Call – Quorum not met, action items deferred.

Review Agenda – No changes

Review February 27, 2024 Meeting Minutes

***WDTF Grant Requests**

- **Boise School District, Dennis Technical Education Center** **Brian Cox**
Industry Sector Grant

Dennis Technical Education Center (DTEC) will double the capacity of their welding program using this grant. Currently, the program is forced to turn away over 50% of interested students due to capacity limitations, and this expansion will both alleviate that limitation and allow the program to complete necessary updates. By purchasing new equipment and securing a dedicated instructor for the Welding III classes, this project will allow program graduates more time for hands-on practice and ensure that each student is equipped with the cutting-edge skills they need to succeed in a rapidly modernizing field.

Funding Requested \$325,972.00

- **Boise State University Industry Sector Grant**

Brian Cox

This project will scale the training space available at Boise State University for BSU degree-seeking students, CWI and CSI technician students, and Chip Camp participants in grades 8-12. The project will triple clean room space, moving from 5 students to 15 at a time. This efficient, flexible space will allow students to gain proficiency on industry-relevant equipment and help to supply the 900 technicians and additional 900 engineers/scientists that will be needed in the Micron expansion. This project has the support of major regional semiconductor manufacturers and will collaborate with community colleges to ensure good access to training facilities for the community. Additionally, a reasonable plan exists to sustain the project beyond the lifespan of this grant using a combination of student fees and endowment funds.

Funding Requested \$1,759,695.01

Grant Procedures and Future Meetings

Matt Thomsen

- Possibly 8 to 10 grant applications coming for Micron/STEM funding
- WDTF funding on hold until after end of fiscal year June 30th acceptance of grant applications will begin again July 1
- Proposal:
 - Combined April and May Grant Committee Meetings into full day
 - Late April or early May
 - Current May meeting falls the day after Memorial Day
 - Would need materials minimum of 2 weeks in advance
 - June GRC would focus on policy to incorporate TPM into the process
 - Council approved 5 TPM organizations
 - Intent is to make the grant applications more robust
 - Industry Sector and Innovation Grants
 - Provides industry engagement and insight
 - Budget discussion, will be continuing with the community grants system
 - Working with Work-Based Learning Committee, process & guidelines
 - May have 1-2 grants to review in June
 - Remaining \$1.4M in AARPA funds available

Committee Discussion

- New member Sergio Mendoza
- Rubric scoring guideline
 - Matt to create a tab with more definition
- Suggest moving today's meeting to next week, Denise to send out request

Adjourned 3:40 PM.