

Merit Border Global Corporation Board (MBGC) Meeting Minutes

Sunday, March 23rd, 2025

4:00pm – 4:23pm

Location: Zoom Call

Attendees:

- ✓ Pamela Barner
- ✓ Aaron Hawkins
- ✓ Tyran Golden
- ✓ Marcus Wright
- ✓ Jordan Bridges
- Kertina Rucker

General Meeting Discussion:

- Introduction to the organization and talked next steps/goals for the organization
 - o Needing to file a 501(c)(3) to become tax exempt
 - o Looking for grant funds allotted to mission driven organizations
 - o The mission is to empower and uplift distressed communities by creating sustainable, affordable housing solutions
- Getting the board assembled for positions
- May meet once a month for about 10-15 minutes
 - o May have specialty meetings due to certain deadlines if necessary
- Should've received an email with attachments for today's meeting agenda, the organization's constitution and bylaws, the conflict-of-interest policy, and the board roles and expectations document
- May be asked to accompany the President/Executive Director to secure funds from procurement personnel
- Briefly discussed the organization's bylaws
- Briefly discussed the conflict-of-interest policy
- Briefly discussed the organization's business plan explaining what we do as a non-profit
- Briefly discussed roles and responsibilities of board members

Decisions:

- Election of Board Positions:
 - o **Board Chairman:** Aaron Hawkins
 - o **Vice Chairman:** Tyran Golden
 - o **Secretary:** Jordan Bridges
 - o **Treasurer:** Marcus Wright
 - o **Board Member:** Kertina Rucker
- Election Of Organization Leader:
 - o **President/Executive Director:** Pamela Barner

Plan of Action for the Next Meeting:

- Receive final bylaws and conflict of interest policy for the board to adopt
- Secretary and Treasurer to open bank account
- Need a bio from all members to add to the landing page