

Arkansas Community & Economic Development Alliance Meeting Agenda

July 13, 2016 – University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service HQ
2301 South University Avenue, Little Rock

Presiding – Renee Dycus, Executive Director Southwest Arkansas
Planning and Development District, Inc.

10:00 a.m. Welcome & introductions

Featured speaker – Jim Youngquist, Institute for Economic
Advancement, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Alliance updates

- Status of Resource Guide
- Status of Assessment of Funding Needs for Proposed Project form
- Roundtable discussion of activities, projects, issues & funding opportunities
- Volunteer to serve as next meeting chair
- Date and Location for next meeting
- Other?

12:00 p.m. Adjourn

Next meeting: October 12, 2016

Arkansas Community Economic Development Alliance

Who We Are:

The Arkansas Community Economic Development Alliance is an informal network with representatives from government agencies and organizations supporting Arkansas communities, regions, nonprofits, businesses and other organizations.

Alliance Goals:

1. Provide information and assistance to Arkansas local governments, organizations and businesses about resources available. Initially, this will be achieved through:
 - a. Online resource guide housed on Alliance partners' websites.
 - b. Referrals for partners to groups/individuals with which we are working.
2. Provide networking opportunities for Alliance partners. This will be achieved through:
 - a. Quarterly meetings (2nd Wednesday of January, April, July and October, 10:00 am-12:00 pm).
 - b. Emergency meetings/conference calls initiated by an Alliance member.

Expectation of Active Engagement from Alliance Partners:

- Commitment from agency or organization to send at least one representative to each quarterly meeting and share relevant information with others in the agency or organization.
- Serve in rotation for presiding over quarterly meetings.