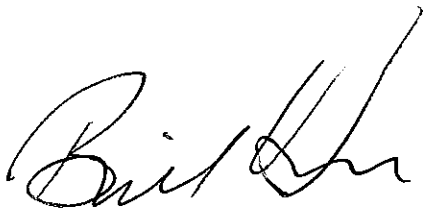


TELEPHONIC MEETING PARTICIPATION POLICY

Effective January 1, 2013, IC 5-14-1.5-3.6, authorizes the Northwest Indiana Regional Development Authority to permit Governing Board Member telephonic meeting participation. IC 5-14-1.5-3.6(f) requires RDA adoption of a telephonic meeting participation policy. In compliance with that requirement, the RDA adopts and implements the following Telephonic Meeting Participation Policy:

- 1) A RDA Governing Board Member who is not physically present at a meeting of the Governing Board may participate in a meeting telephonically if the Member uses a means of communication that permits the Member, all other Members of the Governing Board and all members of the public physically present at the place where the meeting is conducted to simultaneously communicate with each other during the meeting.
- 2) A minimum of four Governing Board Members must be physically present at the place where the meeting is conducted.
- 3) All votes taken during an RDA Governing Board meeting wherein a Member is telephonically participating must be taken by roll call vote.
- 4) Each Member of the RDA Governing Board shall be physically present at a minimum of one (1) meeting of the RDA Governing Board annually.
- 5) The total number of RDA Governing Board Members telephonically participating in a meeting shall be limited to no more than three (3).
- 6) An RDA Governing Board Member desirous of telephonically participating in a meeting shall give the RDA staff sufficient notice of that intention so as to allow for necessary and appropriate arrangements to be made for the Members telephonic participation.
- 7) Members of the RDA Governing Board telephonically participating in a meeting shall be considered to be present at the meeting; shall be counted for purposes of establishing a quorum; and may vote at the meeting.

Adopted and implemented by the Governing Board of the Northwest Indiana Regional Development Authority on this the 2nd day of April, 2013.



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