



AGENDA

APPALACHIAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2021 – 10:30 AM

ZOOM MEETING

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10:30

I. Call to Order – Mr. Mike Forrester, Chair

- A. Invocation
- B. Introduction of New Members and Guests
- C. Approval of January 22, 2021 Board Minutes (Section 1, Board Packet)
- D. January 31, 2021 Financial Statement [**Information Only**] (Section 2, Board Packet)

10:35

II. Recognition of an Appalachian Council of Governments Employee who has Recently Retired After 36 Years of Service – Mr. Mike Forrester, Chair

10:40

III. Greenville Technical Charter High School (GTCHS) AOPA Aviation Curriculum – Ms. Mary Nell Anthony, Principal, Mr. Doug Adomatis, Teacher, and students of the GTCHS Aviation program (Section 3, Board Packet)

Briefing: Last July, Greenville Technical Charter High School received a \$231,573 Appalachian Regional Commission grant to support its technology program, principally its AOPA Aviation curriculum. In identifying critical future needs for pilots, aeronautical engineers, and related fields, AOPA (the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association) developed this high school aviation curriculum. Through the four-year program, students develop skills to pursue aviation related fields following graduation. GTCHS is the first school in South Carolina to offer this program. Mr. Adomatis and students will provide an overview of its courses.

11:10

IV. Medicare Myths and Realities – Ms. Kim Reyes, ACOG State Health Insurance Program counselor

Briefing: Medicare and senior benefits counseling are the agency's services that provide the most direct contact between ACOG and citizens across the region. Ms. Reyes will address common myths concerning Medicare, as well as common mistakes that cost people money. She will also note how to maximize Medicare benefits.

11:35

V. South Carolina 2021 Legislative Report - Ms. Brooke Ferguson, Economic Development Director

Briefing: Ms. Ferguson will provide an overview of items to be addressed by the SC General Assembly during its 2021 term, focusing on matters of significance to local governments.

11:45

VI. Nomination for a Member to Serve in the Role of The Pickens County Regional Representative to the ACOG Board of Directors

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VII. Executive Directors Report – Mr. Steve Pelissier, Executive Director

11:55

VIII. Member Reports

Briefing: Board members will report on items of interest from their communities.

12:00

IX. Adjourn