

Film Incentive Task Force Meeting Agenda

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Meeting Details

Monday, August 22, 2022

3 - 4:30pm

In-person location: HCR 0112, Colorado State Capitol, 200 E. Colfax, Denver, CO 80203

Meeting Participants

Task force members: Representative Leslie Herod, Senator Cleave Simpson, Representative Matthew Soper, Angela Miele, Bryant Preston, Sheila Ivy Traister, Brian Lewandowski, Donald Zuckerman, Senator Sonya Jaquez Lewis

Staff: Kelly Baug, Hasti Soltani, Kayla Shock, Tad Johnson

Guest: JJ Sullivan, Micki Hackenberger, Patrick Hackett, Jeff Litchford, various members of the public

Call to Order

HEROD called the meeting to order.

I. Presentation + Q&A: Patrick Hackett, Independent Producer

HACKETT spoke about his 20 year history working as an independent film producer in Colorado and the current state of filmmaking in Colorado, emphasizing the industry's economic impact on local industry members, film infrastructure, and the oftentimes rural communities productions film in.

II. Presentation + Q&A: Bryant Preston, IATSE

PRESTON spoke about the presence and reach of IATSE (the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, a union that represents various crew members in the film industry) in Colorado. Compared to neighboring states like New Mexico, Colorado has a much smaller IATSE crew base. Members are always interested in moving to Colorado; however, they are looking for a sustainable industry to be a part of.

III. Presentation + Q&A: Jeff Litchford, SVP, Deck Nine Games

LITCHFORD spoke about the growing video game industry in Colorado and the impact the Colorado Film Incentive has had on his company, Deck Nine Games.

IV. Presentation + Q&A: Sheila Ivy Traister, SAG-AFTRA

TRAISTER spoke about being a working actor and member of SAG-AFTRA (the Screen Actors Guild- American Federation of Television and Radio Artists, a union representing actors in the film and television industry) in Colorado for the last 30 years and the importance of having a union presence.

V. Public testimony

Jennie Hawkins, owns Action Medical and works as a set medic and Covid compliance officer

Laura Carson co-founder of Firefly Rev Studios and an actor

Derek Massay videographer

Kent Harvey camera operator and DP

Nathan Perry digital imaging technician, manages equipment at a local camera rental house

Jen Peche actor

Jared Peche filmmaker

Mollie Stallman assistant director

Phil Helman represents the Local 17 teamsters and has been doing this since 1985

Sterling Yepiz-Cook on the board of directors of Colorado Film and Video Association

Adjourn

HEROD adjourned the meeting.