PRESENCE
  J. Doucette, Alger County
  D. Rivard, Delta County
  G. Corkin, Marquette County
  C. Reiter, Schoolcraft County
  R. Desjardins, Alger County
  T. Edlbeck, City of Kingsford
ABSENT
  J. Beaudo, Hannahville Indian Community
OTHERS PRESENT
  Dotty LaJoye, Executive Director, CUPPAD
  Michelle Viau, CPA, CFO, Michigan Works

CALL TO ORDER
  The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chairperson G. Corkin; a roll call was taken with a quorum present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
  MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WAS MADE BY RIVARD, SUPPORTED BY DESJARDINS; MOTION CARRIED.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES
  MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF MAY 23, 2019 WAS MADE BY RIVARD, SUPPORTED BY REITER; MOTION CARRIED.

1. TREASURER'S REPORT
  Michelle Viau discussed the financial report, stating that personnel costs were higher with the month of May having three pay periods. The overall budget was good. LaJoye mentioned that absent member, J. Beaudo requires a separate report of projects and budget for the remainder of the fiscal year which will be completed in the near future. MOTION TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT AS PRESENTED WAS MADE BY RIVARD, SUPPORTED BY DOUCETTE; MOTION CARRIED.

2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
  2.A. Unfinished contract for Emily Bosch Soucy. LaJoye presented shortly on what was discussed at the last meeting regarding Soucy increasing her hour amount from 10 hours per week to 20 hours a week to include more administrative services. Recording of meeting minutes and grant
administration are the most pertinent examples. Corkin expressed concern over available funds, especially with RPI funds in question for next fiscal year. Rivard mentioned the desire of the board at this time to not hire a full time employee. Concerns on the productivity and quality of work produced were addressed. MOTION BY RIVARD, SUPPORTED BY DESJARDINS TO AUGMENT SOUCY’S CONTRACT TO INCLUDE 20 HOURS PER WEEK INSTEAD OF TEN, WITH A STIPULATION TO BE ABLE TO RENEGOTIATE OR CANCEL AGREEMENT AT ANY TIME; MOTION CARRIED.

3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT
LaJoye presented on recent activities. LaJoye attended the annual meeting of the Michigan Association of Regions (MAR) and learned some budgeting tips from other regions to apply to CUPPADD’s budget system. Others at the meeting were optimistic about receiving RPI funds next year. LaJoye met with Senator McBroom regarding the RPI funding and was met with positive feedback. The effectiveness of MAR was discussed along with the question of continued membership. LaJoye presented the fact that rural regions function differently than other regions but membership is still valuable.

The first Integrated Asset Management meetings were successful. These meetings were from the RPI asset management funds to bring everyone up to speed. Two more meetings will happen in the fall.

There are disaster relief funds available for Menominee and Houghton Counties; LaJoye will contact county administrators and offer assistance.

Garden Village was assisted in the Marygrove Retreat Center building ownership. LaJoye conducted a public session in the future use of the facility. There was discussion about the previous uses and possible future uses by the council.

LaJoye has also been working on the Michigan Arts and Cultural MCACA regional regranting panel, which is now full with representatives from around the region.

4. NEW BUSINESS
A quarterly commissioners meeting is coming up in July. LaJoye requested news and updates for that meeting. The proposed space port was mentioned.

The board agreed that CUPPADD’s office could be closed on Friday, June 5th, as long as employee time off was taken out of their annual leave.

Corkin asked about the Vista theatre updates in Negaunee. LaJoye gave an update regarding the weatherization and the ADA compliance in the access entryway and bathrooms. The funding for these repairs was discussed by the board. LaJoye related that there were some changes to available grants as a result of the change in Governor. The Board agreed that the structural repairs need to be done before anything else. The other update in Negaunee had to do with the Neighborhood Enhancement Program, in which LaJoye will start the assessing and selection process.

5. REGIONAL PROSPERITY INITIATIVE
The Board discussed passing information regarding RPI funding to local legislators.

6. FEDERAL REVIEW
No federal reviews.

7. NEXT MEETING AND PLACE
The next Executive Committee meeting will be combined with the quarterly Regional Commission meeting to be held July 26th in Escanaba with 12 noon lunch and 1pm for meeting start.
8. **ADJOURNMENT**
The meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 2:49 P.M.