



Atlantic County Economic Alliance

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Atlantic County Economic Alliance Elects New Board and Continues to Grow

The Atlantic County Economic Alliance recently elected 11 at-large members to the new Board of Trustees at its first annual meeting of the 501(c)3 corporation established to promote economic development and diversification throughout Atlantic County.

They include: Kenneth J. Calemno, Jr., Cooper Levenson; Frank Frankowski, South Jersey Transportation; Joseph Ingemi, Pinarus Technologies; Dr. Harvey Kesselman, Stockton University; Carlo Losco, Balsley-Losco Realty; Brett Matik, Harrison Beverage; Rick Ricciardi, Marathon Engineering and Environmental Services; John Runfola, Greater Hammonton Chamber of Commerce; Leo Schoffer, Schoffer Enterprises; Gregory Sykora, Erco Ceilings and Blinds; and Michael Viscount, Fox Rothchild.

Trustees serve staggered 1-3 year terms and join six appointed members: Rick Dovey, Atlantic County Utilities Authority; Lori Herndon, AtlantiCare; Howard J. Kyle, Atlantic County Government; Vito Pantilione, Parke Bank; Jon Powell, Kravco/Hamilton Mall; and Mitch Zitomer, Greater Atlantic City Chamber.

Board Chairman Leo Schoffer introduced Lauren H. Moore, Jr., who was appointed as the ACEA Executive Director in June 2017, to provide an overview of the state of the corporation. According to Moore, the first priority as outlined in the 2015 Atlantic County Economic Development Strategy and Action Plan was to create a regional economic development authority.

“The ACEA is now firmly established with a board of trustees, by laws, a small staff and a centrally located office in the Hamilton Mall, Mays Landing,” said Moore. “We currently have 33 public-private investors and have developed partnerships with Choose New Jersey, the World Trade Center of Greater Philadelphia, the Southern Shore Destination Marketing Organization and our local chambers. We have also recently launched our website as well as a presence on several social media platforms.”

Moore also noted the ACEA’s efforts to drive industry diversification by assisting in attracting, retaining and growing businesses such as Resdel in Estell Manor and Comar and Teligent in Buena Vista Township.

Aviation is one of six key industries of focus for the ACEA as it continues to actively work with the Stockton Aviation Research and Technology Park, the Federal Aviation Administration’s William J. Hughes Technical Center and the Atlantic City International Airport. It also supports the efforts of Atlantic County and Atlantic Cape Community College to develop an aviation maintenance academy and air cargo handling operation at the airport. Additionally, an ACEA subcommittee is working with local educational institutions to better prepare our workforce for the creation of new jobs in the aviation industry.

“Our momentum is building,” stated Moore. “We are busy assisting clients in securing funding for expansion and relocation and are quickly establishing the ACEA as the one-stop resource for economic development in Atlantic County. We can help guide businesses through site selection and permitting with access to local, state and federal agencies as necessary. Our goal is to make Atlantic County the best address for business.”

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