

MICHIGAN FILM OFFICE ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES
August 9, 2023
Michigan Life Science & Innovation Center
46701 Commerce Center Dr., Plymouth, MI 48170
&
Microsoft Teams Open Virtual Meeting

1. Call to Order/Welcoming from the Chairman

The meeting of the Michigan Film Office Advisory Council (MFOAC) was called to order at 1:06 p.m. by Chairman Bill Ludwig. The following Council members were in attendance: Bill Ludwig, Tim Pietryga, Terry Terry, Brian Winn, Dori DePree, Eric Kuiper and Selam Ghirmai.

Mr. Ludwig welcomed everyone and thanked the council members for their attendance.

2. Adopt Agenda

There was a motion approve the Agenda, which was seconded; motion passed unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes from December 6, 2022 meeting

There was a motion to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2022 MFOAC meeting; which was seconded; motion passed unanimously.

4. Director's Report – Selam Ghirmai

❖ **Legislative**

- Legislative bills for film incentive credit, [SB 438](#) and [SB 439](#), introduced in June by Senator Dayna Polehanki
- Referred to committee on Economic and Community Development

❖ **Future Advisory Council meeting dates**

- Friday, September 15, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. (Royal Oak)
- November 2023 (date/location to be determined)

❖ **Presenter**

- Presentation by Mario Swaiden, Founder of Detroit Drone Film Festival

5. Public Comments

None

6. Old Business

There were no items discussed under Old Business.

7. New Business

There were no items discussed under New Business.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business, there was a motion to adjourn the meeting, that was seconded; motion passed unanimously.