



**PACOG Special Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 8, 2026 1:30pm
Meeting Minutes**

1. Call to Order

An Lewis called the Board meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Board Members Present

Jill Boozer
Patrick Conners
Ben Estell
Lance Prator
Gary Myers, Secretary-Treasurer
Amanda Settelmaier, Vice Chairperson
An Lewis, Chairperson

A quorum of the Board was established

Management Team Present:

Joy Ruff – Local Government Academy
Debby Grass – Grass Root Solutions

3. DCED Funding Update

Joy and Debby provided an update relative to the funding request to DCED for PACOG support in 2026-2027. It was reported that there would not be an extension to the current contract but that a funding request would be entertained by DCED through the MAP program. There are some challenges with the MAP funding because PACOG is not an eligible applicant and the next funding round is in September of 2026. The team will continue to explore this option.

There was a consensus of the Board to request a further meeting with the DCED management team to discuss alternative funding streams.

Debby will continue to work on a budget for PACOG that includes management services. Patrick will work on letters of support for the funding that can be used by COG members.

4. Adjournment

The special Board meeting was adjourned at 1:45pm.