

Transitions highlighted by Phillips County Economic Dev.

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Transitions and new beginnings became the topic of Phillips County Economic Development Corporation's annual meeting Wednesday night, March 21.

PCEDC saw a transition last year when executive director Nici Bishop left her position after six years to pursue another option. Erica Brady was hired by the board to fill the vacant position.

Brady gave an update on 2011 during last Wednesday's meeting.

"We're fortunate to have Nici in the role of board chair this year and allow us to continue to tap her knowledge base and look to her for a new type of leadership," Brady said.

Brady noted after a lot of hard work, they saw the completion of a goal that had been a long time in the making. The completion of the Haxtun Childcare Center came at the hands of many people and organizations working together.

Brady noted there were other quality linkages that were established or reestablished. "The bond between the county, city and towns continues to be an important priority."

PCEDC continued its relationship with Highline Electric Association and its loan fund that helps new and existing businesses get low interest loans, according to Brady.

Brady said PCEDC worked with Colorado State University to update the 2004 Phillips County housing profile and needs assessment that had been conducted over eight years ago.

Phillips County also came together to work with the state to provide input for the governor's Bottom Up Initiative.

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