

Southwest Georgia Workforce Development Board
Meeting Summary
Thursday, September 7, 2023 at 6:12 pm
WorkSource Southwest Georgia Conference Room
75 West Broad Street, Camilla

Members Present

Gabriel Lord-Chair, LaTonja Dotson-Vice Chair, Tommy Hill, Charlie Sol, Kevin Coker, Charlene Brinson, Clay Pelham, Rob Collins, Jayme Smith, Nathaniel Cooper, Susanne Reynolds, Brenda Arnold

Members Absent

Donna Williams (Excused), Karen Rackley (Excused), Judy Jimmerson (Excused), Buddie Jordan (Excused), Tommie Beth Willis (Excused), Renee Gee-Theophile (Excused), Tim Faircloth (Excused), Ronald O'Meara (Excused), John Marria, Cory Thomas, Oscar Maples, Dennis Brinson

12 members present, a quorum was NOT DECLARED.

Staff Present

Melody Pierce, Executive Director
Amanda Godwin, Operations Manager
Jerry Chapman, Regional Planner
Gerlissa Edmonds, Program Assistant

Guest Present

Lynn Hamilton, Equus Workforce Solutions
Shirley Ingram, Equus Workforce Solutions

- **Approval of Minutes from June 8, 2023 Due to Quorum not being declared – Motion for Executive/Finance Committee to approve on behalf of full WDB (APPROVED – C. Sol/T. Hill)**
- **Approval of June 2023 Quarterly Financial Statements and PY23/FY24 Budget Revision 1-Sept 2023 Due to Quorum not being declared – Motion for Executive/Finance Committee to approve on behalf of full WDB (APPROVED – T. Hill/C. Sol)**
- **Approval of PY 2022 One-Stop Reconciliation Quarter 4 Ending June 30, 2023 Due to Quorum not being declared – Motion for Executive/Finance Committee to approve on behalf of full WDB (APPROVED – C. Sol/T. Hill)**
- **Approval of PY 2023 One-Stop Memorandum of Understanding Due to Quorum not being declared – Motion for Executive/Finance Committee to approve on behalf of full WDB (APPROVED – T. Hill/C. Sol)**
- **Approval of Board Policy Revisions Due to Quorum not being declared – Motion for Executive/Finance Committee to approve on behalf of full WDB (APPROVED – C. Sol/T. Hill)**
 - a. Proposed Revision WDB Policy 54 – Adult, Dislocated Worker, Youth Eligibility & Priority of Service
 - b. Proposed Revision WDB Policy 64 – Family Size, Income Determination and Self Sufficiency Standards
 - c. Proposed Revision WDB Policy 69 – Rapid Response
- **Review of Board Membership Compliance (Review and Discussion)**
 - a. Board Member Vacancies

- i. Vocational Rehabilitation Representative (Resignation of Cathy Johnson effective 8/23/23)
 - ii. Economic/Community Development Representative, Board Officer Secretary, Executive/Finance Committee Member (Resignation of Dr. John Marria effective 9/6/23)
 - b. WDB Board Composition & Attendance Review
- **Operations Update – (Provided by Director Pierce)**
 - a. One-Stop Centers Update – **Updates given by Lynn Hamilton, Regional Director, Equus Workforce Solutions and Shirley Ingram, One-Stop Operator, Equus Workforce Solutions**
 - i. Dislocated Worker Outreach Efforts
 - ii. Transition of GDOL Wagner-Peyser to Technical College System of Georgia – Status Update
 - b. The Workforce Alliance (TWA) Sector Strategy Update
 - c. Sector Strategies Healthcare Grant Update
 - i. PY23 Funding Award
 - d. WIOA Performance Update
 - e. Georgia Workforce Leadership Association Conference, Dawsonville – August 24-25
 - f. Southeastern Training Association (SETA) Spring Conference, Orange Beach, AL – September 17-20, 2023
 - g. Business Service and Rapid Response Training, Brasstown Valley – October 3-4, 2023
 - h. WorkSource Georgia Academy Conference, Jekyll Island – November 6-8, 2023
 - i. Innovating Georgia's Workforce Pipeline Conference, Athens – November 14-15, 2023
- **Next Meeting Date- Thursday, November 9, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned @ 7:32 p.m.