

# SOUTHERN GEORGIA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD (WDB) MEETING October 21, 2020

# **MINUTES**

The Southern Georgia WDB and Youth Committee (YC), met on Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at 11:00am via Zoom Call.

WDB Members (X denotes att	<u>endance)</u>	
	☐ Chris Beckham	Bell, Wally
☐ Keith Bryant	☐ Grady Burrell	
⊠ Elton Dixon		☐ Kevin Ellis
☐ Curtis Griffin		⊠ Ben Lott
	☐ Sean Panizzi	☐ Jennifer Rowland
☐ Traci Steed	□ Darlene Tait	□ Courtney Taylor
□ Leigh Wallace	☐ Jamon Williams	
Youth Committee (X denotes	attendance)	
	☐ Rev. Gerald Copeland	□ Adrienne Dixon
	☐ Jerry Griffin	⊠ Kelly Peacock
☐ Traci Steed		
Local Chief Elected Officials	(X denotes attendance)	
	☐ Chairman Nick Denham	☐ Mayor Nancy Dennard
☐ Chairman James Everett	☐ Mayor Kevin Grissom	☐ Chairman Skipper Harris
☐ Chairman Andy Hutto	☐ Mayor Michael-Angelo James	☐ Mayor Roberta Johnson
□ Chairman Johnny Jowers	☐ Chairman Alex Lee	☐ Mayor Scott Matheson
☐ Chairman Kenneth Petty	☐ Mayor Jim Puckett	☐ Mayor Kaye Riley
☐ Mayor Julie Smith	☐ Chairman Joey Whitley	
Staff Members (X denotes att	endance)	
□ Cathy Daniels	⊠ Cheri Hart	☐ Bonnie Howard
	⊠ Felices King	⊠ Roberta Lovett
	☐Kearington Moore	

#### **Guests Present**

Cindy Baker Melissa Burtle Eva Byrd

Charmane Glenn Justin Leggett Tony McKenzie Lauri Santana Pete Snell Mary Walker

Brandy Whaley Lori Yeatman

#### **Call to Order and Welcome**

Chair Bryant and Vice-Chair Rowland could not be on the call. Roberta Lovett, Workforce Director called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

#### **Review of Attendance**

Felices King conducted roll call. After roll call, she announced that a quorum of the Workforce Development Board (WDB) was established.

### **Recognition of New WDB Members**

Roberta stated that she would like to welcome new WDB member Johnathan Gray, Complex Manager for Cal-Maine Foods, Inc located in Hoboken, GA. Roberta asked that Mr. Gray introduce himself to the WDB members.

## Review and Approval of the October 21, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Roberta stated that the minutes of the October 21, 2020 meeting were sent via email to all members (copy attached and made a part of these minutes). Roberta asked if there were any questions or corrections to the minutes. With no questions or corrections, Roberta asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Ben Lott made a motion to approve the minutes with a second from Tom Clark. The motion carried.

# **PY20 Budget and Expenditures Report**

Roberta referred to the handout "Budget & Expenditures Report- Expenditures through August 2020" (copy attached and made a part of these minutes). Roberta reviewed the expenditures by funding stream. After review, Roberta opened the floor for questions/discussion. After a brief discussion, Myrtice Edwards made a motion to approve the report with a second from Shannon McConnico. The motion carried.

# **Policy Update – Rapid Response and Measurable Skill Gains**

Roberta referred all to the handout "Rapid Response Policy" (copy attached and made a part of these minutes). Roberta explained that with Georgia Department of Labor (GDOL) taking on the responsibility of Rapid Response activities that the policy needed to be updated to reflect this. She also explained that the updated policy mirrors OWD's policy.

Roberta opened the floor for questions and discussion. With no questions, Roberta moved to Measurable Skill Gains.

Roberta referred all to the handout "Measurable Skill Gains" (copy attached and made a part of these minutes). She explained to the members that beginning this program year the local area would be responsible for this new WIOA Performance Measure. The policy and form are intended to assist staff and service providers in entering the in program measurable skill gains for participants enrolled in training. After the overview, Roberta opened the floor for questions or discussion. Myrtice Edwards asked a question regarding if placement in employment could count as a milestone. Roberta stated that it would not for the ITA participants, she further stated that they would only apply to those in OJT programs.

With no additional questions, Roberta asked for a motion to approve both policies. Frank Bannamon made a motion with a second from Ben Lott. The motion carried.

## **Dislocated Worker National Emergency Grant**

Roberta provided an update to the WDB on the status of the National Emergency Dislocated Worker Grant. She stated that funding for the initial request as well as the project with the Georgia Department of Labor had been approved. She stated that the total grant award that our area would receive would be approximately \$3,132,000.

### **Performance Update PY19 Final**

Roberta referred all to the handout "Program Year 2019 Performance Outcomes" (copy attached and made a part of these minutes). Roberta briefly expounded on the reasons why she wanted to offer both the traditional report as well as the infographic report she was showing today. She asked members for feedback on the report. Members suggested showing the target measures as well as the actual measures. Roberta stated she would make those changes.

# **Business Services Update**

Amy Jones provided a brief update on the areas OJT activities as well as the Sector Strategy initiative.

#### **Adjourn**

Roberta adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Felices King

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