

Southwest Georgia Workforce Development Board
Meeting Summary
Tuesday, October 1, 2024 at 6:14 pm
WorkSource Southwest Georgia Conference Room
75 West Broad Street, Camilla

Members Present

Gabriel Lord-Chairman, Tommy Hill, Cory Thomas, Charlie Sol, Charlene Brinson, Clay Pelham, Donna Williams, Buddie Jordan, Ronald O'Meara, Catherine Phillips, Oscar Maples, Shawn O'Connor-Veazie, Nathaniel Cooper, Dennis Brinson, Judy Jimmerson

Members Absent

Tim Faircloth (Excused), Jayme Smith (Excused), Tommie Beth Willis (Excused), Brenda Arnold (Excused), Rob Collins (Excused), Susanne Reynolds (Excused), Karen Rackley (Unexcused),

15 members present, a quorum was DECLARED.

Staff Present

Melody Pierce, Executive Director
Amanda Godwin, Operations Manager
Jerry Chapman, Regional Planner
Pascha Spence, Office Manager

Guest Present

Allen Ethridge, New Baker County WDB Representative
Lynn Hamilton, Equus Workforce Solutions
Shirley Ingram, Equus Workforce Solutions

- **Approval of Minutes from June 4, 2024 (APPROVED – T. Hill / R. O'Meara)**
- **Approval of June 2024 Quarterly Financial Statements (APPROVED –R. O'Meara / R. Gee-Theophile)**
- **Review and Approval of PY 2023/FY 2024 Proposed Operating Budget Revision 3 (C. THOMAS STATED CONFLICT AND ABSTAINED FROM DISCUSSION & VOTING APPROVED– S. O'Connor-Veazie / O. Maples)**
- **Approval of PY 2023 One-Stop Reconciliation Quarter 4 Ending June 30, 2024 (APPROVED – R. Gee-Theophile / C. Brinson)**
- **Approval of Board Policy Revisions (APPROVED –C. Brinson / D. Brinson)**
 - a. WDB Policy 76 - Apprenticeship
- **Approval of PY 2024 One-Stop Memorandum of Understanding (S. O'Connor-Veazie / O. Maples)**
- **Review of Board Membership Compliance**
 - a. Board Member Vacancies
 - i. Economic and Community Development Representative
 - b. Executive Committee
 - i. (2) Vacant positions (WDB Members)- Recommendation from the Nomination Committee to appoint Brenda Arnold and Donna Williams to serve on the Executive-Finance Committee Meeting **(APPROVED – R. Gee-Theophile / S. O'Meara-Veazie)**

- ii. (1) Vacant position (Non-WDB Advisory Member) - Recommendation from the Nomination Committee to appoint Jerry Chapman to serve on the Executive-Finance Committee Meeting as a NON-WDB Advisory Member **(APPROVED – R. Gee-Theophile / S. O'Meara-Veazie)**

c. WDB Board Composition & Attendance Review

➤ **Operations Update – (Provided by Director Pierce)**

- a. One-Stop Centers Update
- b. Youth Programs Update
- c. Dislocated Worker Outreach Efforts
- c. The Workforce Alliance (TWA) Sector Strategy Update
- d. Regional Rapid Response and Business Services Team
- e. The Workforce Alliance (TWA) Sector Strategy Update
- f. Board Member Orientations and Future Lunch and Learn Sessions
- g. Georgia Workforce Leadership Association Update
- h. WIOA Performance Update
- i. Southeastern Training Association (SETA) Conference, September 15-18, 2024, Savannah
- j. Georgia Rural Prosperity Summit, October 2-3, 2024, UGA Campus Conference Center, Tifton
- k. Taylor, Hall, Miller, Parker, PA-Monitoring Review October 21-25, 2024
- l. Innovating Georgia's Workforce Pipeline Conference, November 12-13, 2024, UGA Center for Continuing Education, Athens
- m. TCSG-OWD Annual State Monitoring December 9-13, 2024

➤ **Next Meeting Date- November 7, 2024 @ 6:00pm**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned @ 7:26 p.m.