

WORKSOURCE EAST CENTRAL GEORIGIA  
Local Workforce Development Board Executive Meeting (Virtual)  
November 3, 2020 – 8am

Meeting Minutes

**LWD Board Attendees**

Donna Kerr, Chair  
Adela Kelley  
Ginger Carrington  
Jeff Rice  
Julie Langham  
Robbie Bennett  
Alvin Banks

**WorkSource ECG Staff**

LaTunya Goodwin – Director  
Pecola Wiley  
Vivian Stewart  
Mary Stein  
Sondra Randall

**CALL TO ORDER**

Donna Kerr, Chairperson of the Workforce Development Board Executive Committee, called the meeting to order.

**Roll Call**

**Mary Stein**

We did have a quorum for the LWD Board Executive Meeting 11/03/2020 8am

**Review/Approval Of Minutes**

Donna Kerr, Chair ask everyone to review the minutes for 10/20/2020 and ask if there were any addition of corrections to the minutes. Adela Kelley stated that her last name was misspelled. Mary Stein apologized for the misstate and stated she would correct the spelling of Adela's name in the minutes. Madam Chair ask if there was a motion to approve the minutes with correction. Ginger Carrington made the motion to approve the minutes with the correction and Robbie Bennett seconded. Motion carried.

**Old Business**

We need to confirm a new member – Kisha Golden who is the representative for Legacy Link. We did vote to accept her on our board on 10/20/2020. Director Goodwin stated the reason we are revisiting the vote is the LEO's have the final authority of who gets on the board. The LEO's had a meeting last week and have approved the 10/20/2020 votes that the LWDB voted on

concerning board composition. We simply want to assure that the voting process is done in the proper succession. Madam Chair ask for a motion to confirm Kisha Golden to the board. Robbie made a motion to accept Kisha Golden to the board and Ginger Carrington seconded. Motion carried.

We also need to remove Lily Armstrong as a noncompliant member of the board. Ms. Armstrong has missed a number of meetings and also has a new job role which has caused a conflict in attending meetings. By removing Ms. Armstrong from the board we are still in compliance with the board composition. Madam Chair ask for a motion to remove Ms. Armstrong from the board. Director Goodwin stated that Ms. Armstrong is now employed with Georgia Pacific in Warrington and has ask to be removed due to constraints of attending meetings at appointed times. Also Ms. Armstrong did state that she would like to be considered to serve on committees as needed. Motion was made by Ginger Carrington and Robbie Bennett seconded. Motion carried.

The next item on the agenda is the vote to approve the LWD Board members. Some members are two year terms and some are three year terms. Madam Chair ask for clarification of motion from Director Goodwin. Madam chair ask if members could be reappointed after their term expires. Director Goodwin stated that our bylaws allows reappointed of the private sector member if they are in agreement of serving another term. Two year term member are as listed: Donna Kerr, Alvin Banks, Donald Kelly, Chris Bodine, Anthony Griswell, Brian Henderson, Bob Kepshire, Carrie Edwards, Wanda Jordan, Al Lamar, Jeff Brown, Sarah Newton, Carolyn Reynolds, and Maurice Beard. The three year term members are: Ginger Carrington, Kimberly David, Adela Kelley, Julie Langham, Jeff Rice, Ann Henry, and Lakeyra Scott. Madam Chair ask for a motion to accept the term limits for the board. Alvin Banks made a motion Adela Kelley seconded. Motion carried.

### **New Business**

Final approval of the youth sanction policy: Review copy emailed to you. Ms. Pecola stated that the sanction policy has not been revised since 2002 ask if there were any questions concerning the changes made. Ginger Carrington made motion to approve changes to the youth sanction policy and Adela Kelley seconded. Motion carried.

VET2 policy update: There was information as well as discussion surrounding the VET2 program. This program was primarily set up to assist transitioning soldiers as they are exiting the military to receive training in project management and/or Lean Six Sigma. Carrie Lokey initially set up this program. Upon Ms. Lokey's resignation, Wanda Stewart is now the program manager for VET2. Based on demographics, Columbia County has more soldiers that are interested in participating in this program. We receive less money than Richmond County but because of sheer demographics we get more requests for this program. We did receive an additional \$500,000 for the VET2 program. These additional funds are now exhausted, and we are now using the formula Dislocated Worker funds. Because Area 12 receives much more Dislocated Worker funds than we do there is a possibility that the VET2 program could shift completely to Augusta. Director Goodwin stated that she just wanted the board to be aware of what change may possibly be coming with VET2. Adela Kelley ask if there was a possible way to use this money not only for VET2 but for cyber jobs with Augusta University. LaTunya agreed that was a very good possibility for other Dislocated Worker Funds. WorkSource East Central has partnered with Alvin Banks of Forces United to inform veterans of other programs available.

Previous to the pandemic Alvin along with others from ECGC were setting up an appointment to go to Fort Gordon to meet with the appropriate personnel to get this up and running.

Approval of LWDB meeting dates for 2021

January 21, 2021 – April 22, 2021 – July 22, 2021 – October 21, 2021 Time: TBA

Ginger Carrington made the motion to approve the LWDB meeting dates for 2021 and Adela Kelley seconded. Motion carried.

**Adjournment**