Meeting Minutes

Board Attendee
Walker Norman, Chairman
Allen Haywood
Charlie Newton
Chris McCorkle
Doug Duncan
Horace Daniels
John Graham
John Thigpen
Kenneth Usry
Lori Boyen
Sam Moore
Sistie Hudson

WorkSource ECG Staff
Vivian Stewart
Sondra Randall
Mary Stein
Patricia Cooper

Invocation
Ken Usry

Call to Order
Chairman, Walker Norman called the LEO meeting to order 12 members in attendance (Quorum)

Roll Call
Mary Stein

Review/Approval of Minutes
Chairman Norman presented the minutes of the February 4, 2020 meeting. Charlie Newton made a motion to approve the minutes and Lori Boyen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of Annual Budget
Chairman Norman presented the Annual Budget to the board members present. Chairman Norman commented there was more money coming in than going out and that is always a good thing. Horace Daniel made a motion to approve the budget and Allen Haywood seconded. Motion carried.
Approval of Local Plan – Regional Plan and Update
Vivian Stewart stated that we have submitted the Local Plan for our nine counties to TCSG. We received a conditional approval. We had to amend two portions of the plan. The amendments have been done and the plan has been submitted back to TCSG for final approval. There will be a meeting Tuesday, September 15, 2020 with area 12, CSRA Regional Commission, to discuss the Regional Plan. Region 7 covers the 13 counties in Area 12 and Area 13. The Local Plan is posted on our website: ecgwdc.org and once the Regional plan is completed it will also be posted on our website.

LWDB Executive Meeting and Committee Reports
Copies of the reports were emailed to the LEO Board prior to the meeting.
A review team met and evaluated the One Stop Operator proposals and Department of Labor was awarded the One Stop Operator contract again this year. We were also awarded a National Dislocated Worker COVID Grant. Josh Williams will be the leader on this grant and will share with you a brief summary of what this grant entails before the end of this meeting.

New Business
Chairman Norman introduced Josh Williams who is the Business Development Manager here at WorkSource East Central Georgia. Josh will take the lead on the National Dislocated Worker COVID Grant. Josh stated that he had contacted most of the LEO’s concerning this grant. He explained that this grant essentially covers individuals who have been displaced from work due to COVID or those who are displaced due to no fault of their own. Maybe the company they were working for closed or had a reduction in employees due to COVID.

Comments
Chairman Norman ask if anyone had any questions for Mr. Williams. Vivian commented that we would like to encourage the counties to take advantage of this grant. It can fulfill a need and hopefully get some people off of unemployment and back into full time employment. Mr. Horace Daniel commented that he would like to thank everyone at East Central Georgia Consortium for their hard work. Chairman Norman said I think we all concur with that.

Adjournment
Chairman Norman ask for motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Ken Usry and seconded by Charlie Newton. Motion carried.