

ARC COMMITTEE MEETING FOLLOW-UP

ATLANTA REGIONAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

May 25, 2017 Meeting Notes

Members Present

Ms. Sonia Carruthers	Mr. Rodney Leonard
Ms. Mandy Chapman	Mr. Chuck Little
Mr. Robert Duffield	Mr. Lindsay Martin
Mr. Randy Hayes	Dr. Stephanie Rooks
Ms. Lee Hunter	Mr. Aundra Walthall
Ms. Karen LaMarsh	

Members Absent

Mr. Eddie Ausband	Ms. Lisa Phillips
Mayor Eric Dial	Mr. Trey Ragsdale
Mr. Andrew Greenberg	Ms. Debbie Slaton
Mr. James Jackson	Mr. Steven Wilson

Quorum met: 11 of 19 (Majority Required)

Guests

Mr. Emerson Bryan, Deputy Executive Director, ARC
Mr. Kenneth Zeff, Executive Director, Learn4Life
Dr. Carla Morelon, Gwinnett Tech
Mr. Jerry Barrow, GA Dept. of Economic Development, Workforce Division
Mr. Adam Forrand, Partnership Gwinnett
Ms. Brenda Beverly, Manager, Career Resource Center, Gwinnett Tech Staff

ARWDB Board Co-Chair, Randy Hayes, called the Board Meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

There were no requests for public comment.

1. Mr. Robert Duffield made the following motion:

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the February 16, 2017 meeting.

The motion was seconded by Aundra Walthall and unanimously approved.



2. Mr. Chuck Little made the following motion:

MOTION: To approve amendment of Adult/Dislocated Worker Support Services Policy as shown on pages 5-10 of the meeting packet.

The motion was seconded by Stephanie Rooks and unanimously approved.

3. Ms. Karen LaMarsh made the following motion:

MOTION: To approve the new Youth Support Services Policy, shown on pages 11–18 of the meeting packet.

The motion was seconded by Lee Hunter and unanimously approved.

Q: What is age limit of youth for youth services?

A: Age 24

4. Mr. Aundra Walthall made the following motion:

MOTION: To approve projected PY17 Total Revenues and Full-Year Obligations, shown on pages 19, 20 of the meeting packet.

The motion was seconded by Robert Duffield and unanimously approved.

Sonia Carruthers, Cherokee FOCUS, abstained from discussion and voting.

Note: ARWDB has not received official state allocations, therefore the revenues and obligations presented is a projected budget until confirmation of funding amount is received.

Q: Will funds be allocated for Rapid Response (none listed in R&O)

A: Yes, when the official allocation is received. The amount will be similar to PY16.

Q: What is carry-over?

A: The state allows a two-year cycle to use funds carried over from the last program year.

Kenneth Zeff, Executive Director, gave a presentation on the Learn4Life program.

Randy Hayes briefed the board on the April 13th Executive Committee Meeting to review proposals and recommendations from the recent Request for Proposals for one stop operator, adult career services and youth providers. The Executive Committee approved recommended selections for the official one stop operator, five adult career services and seven youth providers. He was pleased with the scoring system of review and rating of the candidates, and that youth committee members were included in the review of youth services applicants to



include another perspective on the quality of the applications and the history of previous service.

Karen LaMarsh, Chair of the Youth Committee, gave a brief review of the March 2nd Youth Committee meeting. Karen and the committee co-chair agreed to postpone meetings until after the RFP process was completed and new provider contracts approved and signed. The Chair plans to send letters of thanks to committee members for their commitment and to determine interest in continuing to serve. New providers will be invited to join the committee. The next meeting is planned for July 26th and will be a re-grouping of all stakeholders and to move forward with previous momentum.

Henry Charlot gave an update on the Business Services Committee which held a member orientation two months ago. He briefed the board on recent business services activities, stating 50 contracts with 43 companies in various programs including On the Job Training, Incumbent Worker Training, registered apprenticeship and sector partnerships have transpired this year. Business Services gave a presentation to the state workforce board regarding Re-Entry Populations and the successful ARWDB Program at Gwinnett Corrections.

Rob LeBeau briefed the board on proposals received during the RFP process which included:

- Two proposals for the official ARWDB One Stop Center in Gwinnett County. ResCare was chosen as the operator.
- Seven proposals for Adult Career Services. Five organizations were chosen to offer services in Fayette, Henry, Clayton, Douglas, Cherokee and Rockdale counties. Locations in Fayette and Henry county have been determined.
- Eighteen proposals for youth services. Seven organization were selected for youth services in the seven-county area.

Official approval of the Regional and Local workforce plans was received from the state.

The State WIOA Convening will be held in Gwinnett County on July 19/20. Board members are encouraged to attend.

ARWDB was awarded a \$400,000 HDCI grant from the state to work regionally with the five local boards. The two-year grant will create full sector partnerships in IT, healthcare, transportation and logistics.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: August 17, 2017

