

COMMITTEE MEETING FOLLOW-UP

ATLANTA REGIONAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD NEXTGEN COMMITTEE

May 08, 2025, 2-Day Summary

Members Present

Mr. Fred Dawkins
Ms. Juli Gilyard
Mr. Tim Hemans
Ms. Jennifer Houston

Mr. Jamal Jessie –Chair
Ms. Norma Marquez
Mr. Anthony Mayor Ford
Ms. Leslie Nelson
Ms. Stephanie Rooks

Members Absent

Ms. Autumn Andrews
Ms. Mandy Chapman
Ms. Ciara Dunn
Mr. Robert Hughes
Mr. James Jackson

Mr. Chris Moder
Ms. Emma Reynolds-Middleton
Ms. Kristy Smith- Co-Chair

Guests

Ms. Debbie Anglin – HEARTS
Ms. Sonia Carruthers – Cherokee FOCUS

Ms. Vivia Pitter – Gwinnett Tech

ARC Staff

Ms. Candice Coppin – NextGen Program

Ms. Marsharee O'Connor - NextGen Program
Ms. Brittney Oquendo - NextGen Program

The meeting was held at the Atlanta Regional Commission

Mr. Jamal Jessie called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m.

Approval of Meeting Minutes from February 19, 2024. Approval of 2025 Request for Proposals Recommendations to the ARWDB for approval. The committee received updates on program funding for PY2025, as well as performance outcomes for PY2024. Further discussions included updates on ongoing committee planning activities, with NextGen Service Providers providing insights into their program services. The NextGen Taskforce met to discuss 'NextGen Provider Gaps and Challenges'. Additionally, Mr. Jamal Jessie introduced Ms. Norma Marquez and Mr. Fred Dawkins as new members of the committee. Next Committee meeting is August 20, 2025.

Meeting adjourned at 1:28 p.m.