

Region 2 Workforce Investment Board

Executive Board Meeting

February 16th 2023

4:00 PM

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Andy Skidmore. There were no registrants for Public Comment. There was a Quorum, Those in attendance in person were: Travis Thompson, Charles Shaw, John Mandt Jr., Hugh Roberts, Monika Rowe, Maureen Persons, R2WIB Staff Melissa Bias and Adam Warden. Virtual Attendance were Chairman Andy Skidmore, Tim Lafon, Todd Motz, Brenda Hunt, and Tommy Adkins.

Tommy Adkins called into the meeting at 4:15pm via phone to attend after the Quorum was acknowledged. At 4:18pm Tommy disconnected via phone and joined virtually for the remainder of the meeting.

Chairman Skidmore Asked for a motion to approve minutes of the Full Board Meeting on January 19th 2023. Motion was made by John Mandt Jr and Seconded by Hugh Roberts; Minutes Approved.

Tim LaFon Stated that on the pending litigation, an offer was put out but it is not resolved yet. He hopes the issue will be resolved within the next meeting or two.

Brenda Hunt stated that there is no activity at the time on the financial side and everything is progressing smoothly. PY21 funds for Adult and Dislocated Worker were almost depleted. The PY22 Funds will then pick up once those funds are depleted. We received \$275,000 for the Storm Grant which brings the grant total to approximately \$960,000. The funds will be good until July 2023.

Executive Director Melissa Bias discussed the audit that occurred on January 26th and 27th. Discussed better practices that could be in the discussion with the Auditor. Recapped on legal matter and Storm Grant with breaking down the partnership with HRDF and DOH. There are currently 8 participants in the Storm Grant. 5 people are preparing to enter maritime academy, 1 will begin CDL schooling, and 2 are working on their GED. Invited board members to the Youth Council meeting that will occur on February 21st at 12pm at the Huntington One Stop.

Old Business in regards to the One Stop RFP was discussed. Chairman Andy Skidmore shared that after discussing with the state, that the dollar amount should be increased and listed within the RFP. Wanted to bring it to a board to approve of the increase to the RFP amount.

New Buisness to increase the amount offered to run the One Stop to put out RFP. Motioned by Todd Motz to \$80,000. Seconded by John Mandt Jr.

New Buisness for the approval of National Association Workforce Board to attend from March 25th-28th. Melissa Requested the approval of 4 Individuals to attend this conference. Motioned by Charles Shaw, Seconded by Hugh Roberts.

Chairman Andy Skidmore motioned to adjourn the meeting. John Mandt Jr seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 4:22pm.

Respectfully submitted by Raymond Warden