



Board Members Present
(Quorum Present)

Chris Ahrenkiel, Selig Enterprises
Diane Allen, Georgia Department of Labor
Randy Beall, Atlanta & North GA Building and Construction Trades Council
Tim Cairl, Metro Atlanta Chamber
Barkat Colabawala, Dunkin' Donuts Franchisee/ZSC Enterprise
Stacy Drane, Bank of America
Te'Eris Hardwick, Verizon Wireless
Carl Hill, Coca Cola Bottling Company United
Patricia Horton, Coaching and Consulting Services, LLC
Rokeya Jones, Microsoft
Mike Kenig, Holder Construction
Robert Lax, Accenture LLP
Joseph Lillyblad, Georgia Power
Charlye Batten Miller, Jackmont Hospitality
Dr. Albenny Price, Atlanta Public Schools
Dr. Victoria Seals, Atlanta Technical College
DePriest Waddy, Families First
Rashida Winfrey, JP Morgan Chase

Board Members Absent

Nancy A. Flake Johnson, Urban League of Greater Atlanta, Inc.(Excused)
Beverly Riddick, UPS (Excused)
Sandra Williams, Atlanta North Georgia Labor Council (New Appointee/Excused)
Denine Woodson, Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation (New Appointee/Excused)

WSA Staff

Amy Lancaster-King, SVP, Executive Director
Sonia Wilson-Westmoreland, Chief Operating Officer
Ruth Alvarez-Moon, WIOA Performance Analyst
Rachea Brooks, Executive Assistant
LaSharn Harris, Finance Analyst
Darrien Moore, Director of Programs
Marcos Pope, Director of Finance
Antrell Tyson, Director of Business Services and Policy
Tammy Williams, Career Specialist

Guests

Karen Kirchler, TCSG
Kellie Brownlow, First Step Staffing
Karen McGrath, MARTA
Roscell Hall, In The Door (One Stop Operator)
Sarita Shackelford Smith, Equus Workforce Solutions
Glenda Allen, Equus Workforce Solutions
Lynn Hamilton, Equus Workforce Solutions
Tosha Ford
Kori B. Alejandro

I. Call to Order

- i. The meeting was called to order by Chair Rashida Winfrey at 8:04 AM.

II. Roll Call

- i. Rachea Brooks, Board Clerk conducted roll call. Board members present and absent are listed above and quorum was established.
- ii. Chair Winfrey acknowledged two new board appointees Mrs. Denine Woodson, Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency and Sandra Williams, Atlanta North Georgia Labor Council to the board.

III. Public Comment

- i. Chair Winfrey opened the meeting for comments from the public. There were no public comments.



IV. Adoption of the Agenda

- i. Ms. Winfrey called for a motion to adopt the agenda. The motion to adopt the agenda was made by board director Albenny Price and seconded by board director Pat Horton. Motion was approved unanimously. No Nays. No abstentions.

V. Approval of Meeting Minutes: October 19, 2021

- i. The motion to approve the October 19, 2021, minutes was made by board director DePriest Waddy and seconded by board director Dr. Victoria Seals. Motion was approved by unanimous vote. No Nays. No abstentions.

VI. Reports and Updates

- i. **IA & WSA Integration** – SVP, Executive Director Amy Lancaster-King came before the Board first to acknowledge the retirement of board director Mike Kenig who will roll off of the board at the end of December. Mrs. Lancaster-King thanked Mr. Kenig for his service on the board.
- ii. Mrs. Lancaster-King updated the Board on the transition to Invest Atlanta. The organization is in need of additional funds to support the administrative budget. Once new administration is in place, will update the Board on those conversations with the City of Atlanta.
- iii. **Finance & Performance Update** –
 - *Mr. Marcos Pope*, WSA Director of Finance came before the full board and presented an update of the total awards/total obligated/spent of the Adult, Dislocated Worker, Youth, COVID grant and the active burn rates of those grants. Board director Bob Lax was introduced as the new Committee Chair and Nancy Flake Johnson will serve as the Co-Chair. **There were no voting items for this report.**
 - *Mr. Darrien Moore*, WSA Director of Programs & Performance, gave an update on performance as of Q1 PY21 – number of customers by funded group (adults, dislocated workers, youth) and number of services provided during Program Years (July 2010 - June 2019). He also by way of chart, presented the average quarterly performance for the years 2016-2021. **There were no voting items for this report.**
- iv. **Youth Committee Update** –
Mr. Darrien Moore/Randy Beall came before the Board with **two voting items**.
 - Approval to pay \$10,000 to TRANSFR for virtual reality software, equipment, and training. Board director Dr. Seals motioned to approve the payment. Board director Dr. Albenny Price seconded the motion. Motion was approved by unanimous vote. No Nays. No abstentions.
 - Approval of a \$200,000 budget for a youth summer employment program (based on serving 100 youth). Board director Pat Horton motioned to approve. Board director Bob Lax seconded the motion. Motion was approved by unanimous vote. No Nays. No abstentions.
- v. **In The Door Operations Update** – Roscell Hall came before the Board to give update on one stop operations.
- vi. **Equus Performance Update** – Sarita Shackelford Smith, Glenda Allen, and Lynn Hamilton came before the Board to give performance update on Adults/Dislocated Worker and Youth programs.

VII. Comments & Announcements

- i. Board Chair Winfrey came before the Board to introduce the establishment of a new “Governance” Committee that will provide oversight on the governance of the board bylaws and policies, and board director Charlye Batten-Miller as its new chair. Both motions were made by Board directors Te’Eris Hardwick and Diane Allen. Both motions were approved by unanimous vote. No Nays. No abstentions.
- ii. Next Board meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2022 and board orientation will be scheduled right before the February meeting.
- iii. Board Retreat – Right now WSA board meetings fall under the mayor’s executive order to continue to meet virtually. Board will be updated on planning and scheduling for an in-person board retreat.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 10:05 AM.