



WorkSource Atlanta
Local Workforce Development Board
Approved Minutes of the Board Meeting
Thursday, October 19, 2021
(Teams Meeting - Virtual)

Board Members Present (Quorum Present)

Chris Ahrenkiel, Selig Enterprises

Diane Allen, Georgia Department of Labor

Tim Cairl, Metro Atlanta Chamber

Barkat Colabawala, Dunkin' Donuts Franchisee/ZSC Enterprise

Vonetta Daniels, Grady Health System

Stacy Drane, Bank of America Te'Eris Hardwick, Verizon Wireless

Carl Hill, Coca Cola Bottling Company United

Patricia Horton, Georgia Center for Nursing Excellence

Nancy A. Flake Johnson, Urban League of Greater Atlanta, Inc.

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

Beverly Riddick, UPS

Dr. Victoria Seals, Atlanta Technical College

DePriest Waddy, Families First

Board Members Absent

Rashida Winfrey, JP Morgan Chase

Randy Beall, Atlanta & North GA Building and Construction Trades Council

Kenny Mullins, IBEW, Local 613

WSA Staff

Amy Lancaster-King, SVP, Executive Director Sonia Wilson-Westmoreland, Deputy Director Ruth Alvarez-Moon, WIOA Performance Analyst

Rachea Brooks, Executive Assistant LaSharn Harris, Finance Coordinator

Darrien Moore, Director of Programs & Performance

Marcos Pope, Director of Finance

Antrell Tyson, Director of Policy and Legislation

Tammy Williams, Career Specialist

Guests

Denine Woodson, Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation

Roscell Hall, In The Door (One Stop Operator)

Sarita Shackelford Smith, Equus Workforce Solutions

Glenda Allen, Equus Workforce Solutions Lynn Hamilton, Equus Workforce Solutions

Christa Freeman, Invest Atlanta

I. Call to Order

i. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Beverly Riddick at 8:07 AM.

II. Roll Call

 Rachea Brooks, Board Clerk conducted roll call. Board members present and absent are listed above and quorum was established.

III. Public Comment

i. Vice-chair Riddick opened the meeting for comments from the public. There were no public comments.

IV. Adoption of the Agenda

i. Vice-chair Riddick called for a motion to adopt the agenda. The motion to adopt the agenda was made by board director Joseph Lillyblad and seconded by board director Barkat Colabawala. Motion was approved unanimously. No Nays. No abstentions.

V. <u>Approval of Meeting Minutes:</u> August 26, 2021

i. The motion to approve the August 26, 2021, minutes was made by board director Diane Allen and seconded by board director Joseph Lillyblad. The motion was approved unanimously. No Nays. No abstentions.

VI. Reports and Updates

- i. IA & WSA Integration SVP, Executive Director Amy Lancaster-King gave an update to the Board on the transition to Invest Atlanta. The organization is still in the transition phase. The goal is that the process is completed by the end of November. The delay currently has to do with administrative expenses to the WSA budget which exceeds available capacity. WSA is working with the City of Atlanta to figure out how those costs can be covered with non-WIOA funds. If it is determined that significant costs must be absorbed by the WSA budget, the Board of Directors will be asked to reconvene to vote on the revised budget.
- ii. Reopening to the Public WorkSource is planning to reopen back to the public by appointment only. WSA is in the process of building out the reopening plan. We hope to have it completed this week and approved next week. The goal is to reopen by appointment in the middle of November. We are working with all our One-Stop partners to make sure that they are aware, and they are ready for the reopening. All virtual activity will continue which increases access for some and not enough access for others. Hopefully, this hybrid model will help improve participant numbers.
- iii. **Board meetings** Board meeting schedule has been adjusted to accommodate grant transfers, so the next BOD meeting is scheduled for December 14. We may have to have a Special Call before that meeting takes place but will keep everyone posted.
- iv. **Finance & Performance Update** Mr. Marcos Pope, WSA Director of Finance came before the full board and gave update of the total awards/total obligated/spent of the Adult, Dislocated Worker, Youth, and COVID grants. **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.**
- v. In The Door Operations Update Roscell Hall came before the Board to give update on the number of customers that have called about WIOA vs non-WIOA services, Project ENCoRe Orientation registrants, and the number of employers seeking candidates for open positions. He also provided a breakdown of visitors to the One-Stop partners over the last quarter and highlights of community outreach activities.
- vi. **Equus Performance Update** Sarita Shackelford Smith, Glenda Allen, and Lynn Hamilton came before the Board to give a performance update on Adults/Dislocated Worker and Youth programs. This report included stats on the number of participants assisted monthly, eligibility, how many career seekers gained employment, participated in educational or work-based learning activities, and provided the Board with a success story.

VII. Comments & Announcements

Final comments and announcements were made by Vice-Chair Riddick.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 10:34 AM.