



Waccamaw Workforce Development Board Meeting

September 21, 2021

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Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments
1230 Highmarket Street
Georgetown, SC 29440
Tuesday, September 21, 2021
9:30 a.m.

VIA Zoom:
Meeting ID:
Passcode:

AGENDA

Call to Order

Henry Poston

- Welcome and Introduction of Guests
- Determination of Quorum
- **Approval of July 20, 2021 Minutes

Williamsburg Regional Hospital Update

Allen Abernethy

Finance Report

Cathy Archer

Performance Report

Amy Ross

WIOA Success Story

Sherell Robinson, Ross

WIOA Update

Ayla Hemeon

Other Business

Henry Poston

Adjournment

Henry Poston

****Denotes Action Items**

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Board Minutes



Minutes
Waccamaw Workforce Development Board
Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments
July 20, 2021
9:30 AM

*Due to COVID-19, this Board meeting was conducted in-person and via Zoom.

Members Present

Members Absent

Abernethy	Allen		Battle	Christopher
Burke	Kim		Carter	Etta
Engleman	Bonita		Edwards	David
Evans	Wallace		Espinal	Frank
Greene	Jason		Geathers	Rochelle
Mitchell	Greg		Harper	Jan
Poston	Henry		Smith	Sherrel
Pressley	Wilhelmina			
Roberts	Andy			
Skalican	Peg			
Tucker	Brian			
Wulf	Verlon			

Waccamaw Regional COG Staff Present:

Cathy Archer, Temecca Belcher, Rusty Gaskins, Ayla Hemeon, Tomas Langley, Hannah Poston, Amy Ross, Sarah Smith.

Other Guests Present:

Michelle Carr, SCDEW
Sherell Robinson, Ross
Todd Gurley, Ross

- **Call to Order:**

Mr. Henry Poston, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

- **Welcome and Introduction of Guests:**

Mr. Poston welcomed members, staff, and guests, then introduced Mr. Allen Abernethy as the new Board member, replacing Mr. David Edwards. Ms. Ayla Hemeon did a roll call for the Board members.

- **Determination of Quorum:**

Mr. Poston determined that there was a quorum.

- **Approval of May 18, 2021 Minutes:**

Mr. Poston moved on to the approval of the May 18, 2021 minutes.

Ms. Kim Burke motioned to approve the minutes from the May 18, 2021 meeting. Mr. Brian Tucker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously by the Board.

- **Horry Georgetown Technical College ETPL Update:**

Mr. Tucker pointed out the increase of training requirements for the Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL) over the last few years. If a WIOA student is in a program, the training provider has to track all members of the program, regardless of the funding source. However, a waiver has been used in the past to bypass tracking all members. This year, the waiver was not given out. HGTC made a decision to no longer provide training. A few Board members met with HGTC to resolve the issue, and HGTC has agreed to continue the training program.

- **CEDS Update/Workforce Board Role:**

Mr. Rusty Gaskins explained that the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) creates economic development for the Waccamaw Region, making the district eligible to apply for grants through the EDA. Mr. Gaskins asked for any input that the Board may have for the CEDS update.

- **Finance Report:**

Ms. Cathy Archer presented the funding status as of June 30, 2021. \$1,064,000 remaining in Adult, DW, and Youth funding. Most grants have been closed out. All finance performance measures for the program year have been met. Obligation rates are good. Participant cost rate went over by 7% (37%). Spending in June was up due to year end. 352 Adults, 61 DW, and 165 Youth have been served.

- **Board Approval of PY 21 Contract Budgets with Ross:**

Ms. Archer went over all the different budgets in place for the PY21 Contract Budgets with Ross. The budgets have been reviewed by a Ms. Archer and Ms. Hemeon, and will also be reviewed by Ms. Sarah Smith, Executive Director.

Mr. Tucker motioned to approve the PY21 Contract Budgets with Ross. Mr. Greg Mitchell seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously by the Board.

- **Adult and DW Transfer of Funds:**

Ms. Archer explained that this gives WRCOG's Executive Director, Sarah Smith, authority to transfer DW funds to Adult funds as necessary. Adult funds are spent quicker than DW funds and, in some cases, the transfer of funds need to be approved prior to a Board meeting.

Mr. Wallace Evans motioned to approve the Adult and DW Transfer of Funds. Mr. Tucker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously by the Board.

- **Performance Report:**

Ms. Amy Ross presented the enrollments for this program year. Total enrollments: 352 Adults, 61 Dislocated Workers, and 165 Youth. Ms. Ross showed a monthly breakdown of enrollment. Total UI calls: 3,135 in Kingstree and 11,563 in Georgetown. 6,832 total visitors to the Conway center. 93 Youth and 207 Adult workshops. Ms. Ross pointed out that the percentage of people who received training is above average for the state. Ms. Ross then displayed the performance report of quarter 3 and explained why some performance goals were not reached.

- **Contractor Program Update:**

Ms. Sherell Robinson stated that she expected to see an increase in enrollment this year, with CDL having the most interest. This program year, one of the goals is to reach out to more people who may not know about the centers. Ms. Robinson mentioned some upcoming events and job fairs.

- **One Stop Operator Update:**

Mr. Todd Gurley updated the Board on what has been going on at the centers, including adjusted hours, client capacity, and more changes that has taken place. Mr. Gurley also reviewed the second quarter customer satisfaction report.

- **WIOA Update:**

Ms. Hemeon stated that the centers are on track to have a good year. Ms. Temecca Belcher will be acting as a liaison between WRCOG and the contractors. The end of the program year is the busiest, final numbers are still being gathered. Ms. Hemeon congratulated the staff on meeting the goals in the last program year despite going through a pandemic. Ms. Hemeon thanked Mr. Poston and Mr. Tucker for their assistance with the HGTC training program. She also thanked Mr. Gaskins for coordinating the job fairs. Lastly, Ms. Hemeon thanked the Board for their support.

- **Other Business:**

Mr. Poston confirmed that there was no other business to discuss.

- **Adjournment:**

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

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Board Reports





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Workforce Development Board WIOA Performance Report

September 21, 2021

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WIOA Enrollments PY 21

July 1, 2021 – August 31, 2021

Population	New Enrollments
Adult	62
Dislocated Worker	10
Youth	19

Conway Walk-In Foot Traffic for PY 2021

	WP	VETS	TAA	UI	WIOA	Total Visitors
July	277	65	0	382	179	827
August	269	64	0	329	237	824
TOTAL	546	129	0	711	416	1,651

Kingstree and Georgetown Center Traffic Calls

Kingstree		Georgetown	
Month	Calls	Month	Calls
July	68	July	786
August	39	August	755
TOTAL	107	TOTAL	1,541

WIOA Performance

PY 2020 Final Performance Summary

Performance Measure	ADULTS			DW			YOUTH			Overall Indicator Score
	Goal	Actual	% of Goal	Goal	Actual	% of Goal	Goal	Actual	% of Goal	
Employment Rate Q2	81.0%	81.4%	100.5%	81.5%	81.8%	100.4%	79.5%	83.6%	105.2%	102.0%
Employment Rate Q4	78.0%	82.5%	105.8%	79.0%	82.4%	104.3%	71.0%	76.3%	107.5%	105.8%
Median Earnings	5,200	6,191	119.1%	7,300	8,451	115.8%	3,500	5,107	145.9%	126.9%
Credential Rate	59.7%	50.4%	84.4%	60.0%	53.8%	89.7%	63.8%	50.3%	78.8%	84.3%
Measurable Skill Gains	53.8%	43.8%	81.4%	47.0%	63.0%	134.0%	63.0%	77.8%	123.5%	113.0%
	Overall Program Score		98.2%	Overall Program Score		108.8%	Overall Program Score		Overall Program Score	
									112.2%	