

## 06/11/2020 Tulsa Area Workforce Development Board Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

8:35 a.m. Executive Committee Chair, Martha Webb-Jones, called the meeting to order.

## **ATTENDEES**

Members: Tom Albaugh, Ken Busby, Amber Hatten, Kuma Roberts, Peter Selden, Danielle Storie, Martha

Webb-Jones

Absent Members: None

WDB Staff: Seth Fargen, Rachel Hutchings, Julie Sorrels, Cherie Stierwalt, Kate Tillotson, Amber Cutshaw,

De'Andre Fahie

**Guests**: Corbin Anderson, Taylor Austin, Scott Obomanu

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1.	Reviewed & Approved the 04/09/2020 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes.	Motion to Approve: Ken Busby  Second: Tom Albaugh  Vote: Approved Unanimously* *Kuma Roberts not yet present for vote.
2.	Reviewed & Approved the Program Year 2020 Extension of the Contract for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), Title 1 Adult and Dislocated Worker Program Services and Youth Program Services for the Tulsa Workforce Development Area Contract as contained in the meeting packet. Workforce Tulsa Executive Director, Rachel Hutchings highlighted some of the changes made within the contract including things such as shifting to a more quarterly approach but most notably an aligned focus on outcomes-based measures. Workforce Tulsa is moving forward with procuring the administration of One-Stop Operator services outside of this contract at the agreement of Dynamic Workforce Solutions.	Motion to Approve: Ken Busby  Second: Peter Selden  Vote: Approved Unanimously
3.	Reviewed & Approved the Program Year 2020 Partner Memorandum of Understanding as presented by Rachel Hutchings. Rachel reported that this document is essentially the same as executed in previous years with minor variations based on individual conversations with the different partners who have already provided	Motion to Approve: Tom Albaugh  Second: Amber Hatten  Vote: Approved Unanimously

## **Executive Committee Members:**

	signatures.	
4.	Reviewed & Approved the Lease Agreement with Central Technology Center for the Sapulpa American Job Center as presented by Workforce Tulsa Manager of Operations, Julie Sorrels. Julie reported that the Board originally entered into this lease in Program Year 2017, and it has been updated by date and signature line information only since.	Motion to Approve: Ken Busby  Second: Tom Albaugh  Vote: Approved Unanimously
5.	Reviewed & Approved the Mission & Vision Policy as presented by Workforce Tulsa Deputy Director, Cherie Stierwalt.	Motion to Approve: Ken Busby  Second: Danielle Storie  Vote: Approved Unanimously
6.	Reviewed & Approved the Self-Sufficiency Policy as presented by Cherie Stierwalt. Cherie reported that with this policy, the Board establishes the self-sufficiency standard as it relates to eligibility for registrants requesting training and services under Title 1 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). Proposed policy sets the Self-Sufficiency Standard for the Adult and Dislocated Worker program at \$22.34 per hour for full-time employment, which is 150% of the Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) versus 125% of the LLSIL set in the existing policy. The proposed increase would make more job seekers eligible for Workforce Tulsa services.	Motion to Approve: Tom Albaugh Second: Peter Selden Vote: Approved Unanimously
7.	Reviewed & Approved the Eligible Training Provider List Policy as presented by Cherie Stierwalt. Cherie reported that with this policy, the Board establishes criteria incorporating performance and information requirements to identify quality training programs and the desired outcomes for Workforce Tulsa clients enrolled in those programs. This proposed policy requires that:  • training must result in employment at a wage greater than or equal to \$10.42 compared to the Oklahoma Office of Workforce Development's current requirement, minimum wage, and  • training providers must provide a list of their business partners upon request.	Motion to Approve: Tom Albaugh  Second: Amber Hatten  Vote: Approved Unanimously
8.	Reviewed & Approved the Demand Occupation and Skills Policy as presented by Cherie Stierwalt. Cherie reported that this policy combines two existing policies which were approved when the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) was still in effect. With this policy, the Board establishes local demand skills and the process for the development of the Board's Demand Occupation list and their relationship to the creation and maintenance of the Eligible Training Provider's List.	Motion to Approve: Peter Selden  Second: Danielle Storie  Vote: Approved Unanimously

		Motion to Approve: Ken Busby
9.	Reviewed & Approved the Demand Occupation List as contained in the meeting packet having been approved by the Business Development Committee with the caveat that it will be re-evaluated in 6 months.	Second: Tom Albaugh  Vote: Approved Unanimously
10.	Reviewed & Approved the Monitoring Policy as presented by Workforce Tulsa Strategy Analyst, Kate Tillotson. Kate reported that the existing monitoring policy is long and cumbersome, very much in line with constructive feedback from the Oklahoma Office of Workforce Development (OOWD) around Workforce Tulsa's policies, so she developed this proposed policy based on best practices research. Kate adds that this policy:  • details what monitoring covers,  • is better aligned with our service provider contract, and  • strategically increases requirements for the monitor role (e.g. 10% of all client files will be reviewed at a minimum) while  • removing unnecessary requirements and restrictions.	Motion to Approve: Tom Albaugh  Second: Amber Hatten  Vote: Approved Unanimously
11.	Reviewed & Approved the nomination of Martha Webb-Jones as the Board Chair for Program Year 2020 as recommended by Ken Busby, at the pleasure of the Board Development Committee. The Chair agreed to serve an additional 1-year term, upon Board approval, due to the unprecedented nature of the preceding year and the current momentum of the Board's mission, with the intention of coaching the Board Chair Elect.	Motion to Approve: Tom Albaugh  Second: Amber Hatten  Vote: Approved Unanimously
12.	Reviewed & Approved the nomination of Delaney Rea as the Board Chair Elect for Program Year 2020.	Motion to Approve: Ken Busby  Second: Kuma Roberts  Vote: Approved Unanimously
13.	Committee/Council Reports were presented:  ■ Board Development Committee Chair, Ken Busby, reported about the following:  □ Committee work currently going through the Board approval process establishes Chair and Chair Elect for Program Year 2020.  □ Growing Talent for Tomorrow Event —  ■ Speakers/calendars still set for September 23, 2020  ■ Reviewing topics  ■ NSU-BA is prepared to respond to changing needs.  ■ Business Development Committee Chair, Amber Hatten, reported about the following:	No Action Necessary

	Constitution of the field of the	1
	o Committee work currently going through the Board	
	approval process establishing the demand occupation	
	list and three related policies.	
	o Interviewing for Business Services Director Position	
	Finance Strategy & Oversight Committee Chair, Danielle	
	Storie, reported about the following:	
	o Expectations/Foundation set at the first meeting of the	
	revitalized Committee	
	<ul> <li>Seth Fargen's Million Dollar Question prompted</li> </ul>	
	discussion with initial steps being taken toward	
	exploring some of the ideas.	
	<ul> <li>The Committee would ask that the other Committees</li> </ul>	
	share financial needs around the projects on which	
	they are working and ideas for future projects.	
	<ul> <li>Innovative Workforce Opportunity Council (IWOC)</li> </ul>	
	Chair, Kuma Roberts, stated that current times makes	
	this Council's work even more deliberate and positions	
	Workforce Tulsa to use our actions to make a clear	
	statement about our values. Workforce Tulsa Deputy	
	Director, Cherie Stierwalt, added the most recent	
	IWOC meeting focused on the impact of COVID-19 on	
	the populations served by the Council.	
	Workforce Strategy Analyst Report: Kate Tillotson reported that the	
	OOWD's annual monitoring report has not yet been finalized but that	
14.	the Board Staff was able to meet with OOWD staff in a virtual	No Action Necessary
	meeting to discuss the report. Kate reported that the meeting was	<u>,</u>
	productive and that OOWD staff appear to be confident in Workforce	
	Tulsa's response to the report.	
	Finance Director Report: Workforce Tulsa Finance Director, Seth	
	Fargen reported about the following:	
	Creating a Data Integrity Team	
	Apprentice Information Systems is doing a refresh at both the	
	Tulsa and Sapulpa American Job Centers with plans in place to	
	make sure all of our equipment and software stay up to date	
	with a 5-year replacement cycle.	
	Interviewing for Data Analyst position	
15.	Budget reports will be provided at the next Committee	No Action Necessary
	meeting – kudos to OOWD staff who helped settle the	
	account with the previous fiscal agent.	
	Paycheck Protection Program almost exhausted as no WIOA	
	funding has been received since March 1, 2020	
	Working with Dynamic Workforce Solutions staff to	
	strategically improve how they manage their budget locally.	
	Outcomes-based measures	
	Mayor's Financial Empowerment Center Integrated	
	Partnership – Financial Counseling Grant	

9.	New Business: None	No Action Necessary  No Action Necessary
.9.	Executive Director Report: Rachel Hutchings, reported that we have two Business Services Representatives, De'Andre Fahie and Amber Cutshaw, hired and being onboarded as Board Staff. Rachel added that Board Staff production is up, and staff is looking forward to a 2-hour meeting with Oklahoma State Secretary of Commerce and Workforce Development, Sean Kouplen, next week to learn more about self-implementing the Entrepreneurial Operating System®. Rachel addressed the collective statement question based on conversations with Kuma Roberts, and added that Workforce Tulsa commits to raising the bar when it comes to the employers with which we work and that Workforce Tulsa is not going to be another fail point for people who have already had to face numerous barriers to sustainable employment.  501(c)(3) Board of Directors Activity Report: None	No Action Necessary
١7.	Chair Report: The Chair reported that Workforce Tulsa is commencing the RFP process for the One-Stop Operator Statement of Work. The Chair posed the question of a collective Board statement around equity and reform issues and believes it is worth speaking to at the upcoming Board meeting.	No Action Necessary
16.	<ul> <li>One-Stop Operator Report: Workforce Tulsa Project Director, Corbin Anderson, shared his background with the Committee and reported about the following:         <ul> <li>May Performance Highlights</li> <li>Working through COVID-19 has revealed new, more efficient processes staff will continue to utilize.</li> <li>Center Reopening Plans/Staff Moral</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	No Action Necessary

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