

Regional Workforce Development Board
Chief Elected Officials
May 13th, 2019

The regular meeting of the Region 16 Workforce Development Board (RWDB) and Chief Elected Officials (CEO) was held on May 13th, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. at IowaWORKS.

CALL TO ORDER

Duke called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ATTENDEES

RWDB Members Present: Cynthia Whalen, Wood Stortzum, Dennis Duke, Carolyn Farley, Joyce Stimpson, Dick Beard, Dennis Fraise, Michelle Mutchler, Rachel Miller, Jacob Nye, and Carla McNamee

RWDB Members Present Via Phone: Janet Fife-LaFrenz, Mike Hickey, and Cara Sanders

RWDB Members Absent: Deb Mulch, Amber Moats, Monica Dyar, Candice Becker, Chad Palmer, and Ryan Drew

CEO Present: Gary See, Jim Cary, and Rick Larkin

CEO Absent: Brad Quigley

Staff Present: Miranda Brown (RWDB Staff), Kelsey Howard (WIOA Co-Director), and Courtney Mullen (WIOA Co-Director)

QUORUM

A quorum was established for both the RWDB and CEOs.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

Mutchler made the motion to approve the April minutes, seconded by Beard, motion carried.

CEO Larkin made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by CEO Cary, motion carried

TRUE COLORS TRAINING

Fife-LaFrenz made a motion to approve the training, seconded by Stortzum, motion carried.

ANNUAL ELECTIONS

Mutchler nominated Duke to serve as Chair and Hickey to serve as Vice Chair to the CEOs.

There were no other nominations. Rachel seconded the nomination, motion carried. CEO Cary made a motion to accept the nominations, seconded by Larkin, motion carried.

NEW APPLICATIONS

Two applications were received to fill the community-based organization vacancy, one from Bob Bartles, Hope Haven Executive Director and Patrick Lacy, Burlington Correctional Facility Residential Manager. CEO Cary made a motion to approve Lacy's application, seconded by Larkin, motion carried.

VACANCIES

Brown reported that there was an ex-officio vacancy for a school representative. Farley and Fraise would be reaching out to a possible representative from Fort Madison School District.

TITLE 1 WIOA UPDATE

Mullen reported that they had received the FY 2019/2020 full year budget. She stated that the DW program had a slight increase, whereas Youth and Adult had a decrease in funding for the year.

She reviewed the letter from Beth Townsend regarding realignment that was sent out on May 10th. She reminded the board that the state board meeting would be held May 30th in Des Moines.

Additionally, she stated that the state had conditionally approved the policy assurances to the CSP.

TITLE II AEL UPDATE

Brown reminded the board that graduation is May 14th and there are 43 students eligible to participate.

TITLE III IWD UPDATE

Farley reported that March unemployment rates remained flat for Des Moines and Lee counties, and that Henry and Louisa had decreased.

She also reminded the board that the regional job fair would be held May 30th at the National Guard Armory. Currently there are 28 businesses signed up to participate and they are looking for more businesses.

Also, June 20th they will be holding a workshop for businesses interested in starting a registered apprenticeship program.

Lastly, she reported that the job fair held on May 9th at the Mt. Pleasant Correctional Facility had 185 attendees and 8 businesses participate.

TITLE IV VR/IDB UPDATE

Miller stated that VR is still accepting applications for their summer program through May 30th.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 5:28 p.m.