

New River/Mount Rogers Workforce Development Area Consortium Board

September 19, 2018 INFORMATIONAL NOTES

A meeting of the NR/MR WDA Consortium Board was held on September 19, 2018 at the Wytheville Meeting Center, Wytheville VA. Those in attendance were as follows:

<u>Board Members</u>	<u>Staff</u>	<u>Guests</u>
Brenda Sutherland – 1 st Vice -Chair Rex Hill - Carroll Terri Morris - Floyd Mary Biggs – Montgomery Travis Haynes – Galax City Robert Gropman – Radford City	Marty Holliday Beverly Burke Ronnie Martin Della Wheeler Jenny Bolte	Mike Miller – Chair WDB Stephanie Hoer – Goodwill Valleys Beth Carico - People Inc. Albert Alwang - VT

At 10:04 am, 1st Vice-Chair Sutherland called the meeting to order with a moment of reflection and then led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1st Vice-Chair Sutherland asked Ms. Suthers to call the roll. A quorum was not present.

Ms. Biggs asked that Item C of the Consent Agenda to be withdrawn from and moved to Item VII of the Agenda.

Moving on with Agenda 1st Vice-Chair Sutherland opened the floor to public comment. Hearing none, she proceeded with the next item on the agenda.

Guest Presentation, Albert Alwang of the Virginia Tech Office of Economic Development spoke on the last quarterly report. A brief discussion followed.

Although a quorum was not present, Ms. Holliday explained that PY'18 Final Budget changed as the result of PY'17 Carryover and State Allocations being received. There were no big changes from the Draft Budget to the Final Budget. She explained the Executive Committee would meet in October to discuss Unobligated Youth Funds

Approval of the Workforce Development Board nominations of; Perry Hughes, Post-Secondary Education and Larry Linsey, TANF/DSS will voted on in the Executive Committee Meeting in October 17, 2018.

WDB Chair, Mr. Miller, spoke with the Board about the current FIOA request and recommended having a single point of contact if any Board members are approached by the press.

Chair Williams highlighted the committee appointments and asked if any members wished to make a change. There were none.

Ms. Holliday preceded to update the Board on the Executive Summary and Informational items. Ms. Holliday and Ms. Suthers attended FIOA training in Roanoke, Virginia. As a result, the website will be updated for FIOA requirements, the Executive Committee will be looking at changing the Bi-Laws for meetings that will meet FIOA requirements. Ms. Wheeler has been working on the website changes, and Mr. Martin will be working on the Bi-Law changes that will come before both Boards at the December 2018 Joint meeting. A brief discussion followed.

Ms. Holliday proceeded to update the Board on the Tobacco Commission Grant, the current Regional Unemployment numbers and the WDB vacancies.

Ms. Carico, updated the Board on the One Stop Operations and gave the T2C update for People Incorporated.

Ms. Holliday updated the Board on the Heart Grant and Ms. Bolte updated the Board on the Pathways Grant.

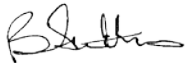
Ms. Biggs informed the Board about the "Improve I81" movement. Future meetings and an online survey can be accessed through montva.com. She encouraged everyone to participate in the meetings and completing the survey.

1st Vice-Chair Sutherland discussed the Travel Voucher that each Board member must complete and sign if they want to be reimbursed for their travel. The 2018 & 2019 Consortium Board meeting schedule was also highlighted.

The next meeting will be a Joint Meeting with the Workforce Development Board on December 12, 2018 at the Wytheville Meeting Center beginning at 10:00 am with a lunch following.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:58 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Suthers", written in a cursive style.

Beverly W. Suthers
Workforce Operations Coordinator