

New River/Mount Rogers Workforce Development Area Consortium Board

May 15, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the NR/MR WDA Consortium Board was held on May 15, 2019 at the Wytheville Meeting Center, Wytheville VA. Those in attendance were as follows:

<u>Board Members</u>	<u>Staff</u>	<u>Guests</u>
Jay Williams – Giles, Chair Rex Hill – Carroll Terri Morris – Floyd Mary Biggs – Montgomery Joe Guthrie – Pulaski Joe Hale – Wythe Neal Osborne – Bristol City Robert Gropman – Radford City	Marty Holliday Beverly Suthers Della Wheeler	Mike Miller – Chair WDB Beth Carico - People Inc. Leta Bradley – Goodwill of the Valleys, Inc.

At 10:10 am, Chair Williams called the meeting to order with a moment of reflection.

Chair Williams asked Ms. Suthers to call the roll. A quorum was present.

Dr. Workman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented, with a second from Mr. Hill.

Moving on with Agenda Chair Williams opened the floor to public comment. Hearing none, he proceeded with the next item on the agenda.

Ms. Holliday reviewed the Draft PY19 Budget, stating that the program allocations had not yet been received from the State. She had been informed that the Local Area allocations will be sent out by May 20, 2019. She told the Board that planned the budget on a 12% reduction in funds. The draft PY19 budget will be reworked after the allocations are received and then again when carryover figures are known. The Final PY19 Budget will be presented at the September Board meeting. A brief discussion followed. Dr. Workman made a motion to approve the Draft PY19 Budget as presented with a second from Mr. Gropman. There was a called vote: Giles – Yes, Carroll – Yes, Floyd – Yes, Montgomery – Yes, Pulaski – Yes, Wythe – Yes, Bristol City – Yes, Radford City – Yes.

Next, Ms. Biggs made the motion to approve the PY19 Contract Extensions and Funding Allocations, with a second from Mr. Guthrie. There was a called vote: Giles – Yes, Carroll – Yes, Floyd – Yes, Montgomery – Yes, Pulaski – Yes, Wythe – Yes, Bristol City – Yes, Radford City – Yes.

Ms. Biggs then made a motion to approve the PY19 Fiscal Agent Agreement with a second from Dr. Workman. Motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Miller updated the Board on the WDB activities and the work that has been done on the budget. He stated that the next WDB meeting will be election of officers.

Ms. Holliday preceded to update the Board on the Executive Summary and Informational items. She stated that the Legislative Breakfast would be postponed until November after the elections.

Ms. Holliday stated that we have a staff person who will become a Job Profiler for the Work Ready Communities and would be leaving in June for training. She stated that the region would be moving forward together. A brief discussion followed.

Ms. Carico, updated the Board on the One Stop Operations and the Youth Special Project. Ms. Bradley updated the Board on their Youth Special Project.

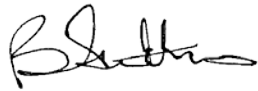
Ms. Holliday updated the Board on the Grants.

Chair Williams opened the floor for Board member time. Mr. Gropman asked Ms. Holliday how the low unemployment rate in the region would affect our customers. Ms. Holliday stated that our Program Operators would be working with customers who need additional assistance and this would take more effort. A brief discussion followed. Chair Williams thanked staff and Operators for their time and commitment.

Chair Williams proceeded to highlight Board Travel, the next meeting on July 17, 2019 at the Wytheville Meeting Center at 10:00 am.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Suthers".

Beverly W. Suthers
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