

New River/Mount Rogers Workforce Development Area Consortium Board

INFORMATIONAL MINUTES

March 20, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Biggs called to order the regular meeting of the NRMR Workforce Development Area Consortium Board at 10:06 am on March 20, 2024 at Wytheville Community College.

MOMENT OF REFLECTION

Chair Biggs lead the Board in the pledge of allegiance and a moment of reflection. She then asked the members to introduce themselves as there were a few new members.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Holliday conducted a roll call. The following persons were present. A quorum was present.

Board Members In Person

Montgomery County – Mary Biggs, Chair
Bland County – Cameron Burton
Floyd County – Linda Millsap
Grayson County – Michael Hash
Pulaski County – Laura Walters
Smith County – Jason Parris
Washington County – Charlie Hargis

Staff

Marty Holliday

Guests

Beth – People Inc.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Biggs opened the floor to public comment. Hearing none, she proceeded with the next item on the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Walters made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda items. Mr. Hash seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chair Biggs turned the meeting over to Ms. Holliday. Ms. Holliday presented the slate of officers brought by the Nomination Committee: Chair – Mary Biggs (PDC 4) and Vice Chair – Charlie Hargis (PDC 3). Ms. Holliday reminded the members that the chair and vice chair had to be from different planning districts. She asked for any nominations from the floor. Hearing none, she called for a vote. It was a unanimous decision. Ms. Holliday returned the meeting to Chair Biggs.

APPROVAL TO MOVE TICKET FUNDS TO THE FOUNDATION

Ms. Holliday brought a request from the NR/MR Workforce Development Foundation to move \$10,000 from Ticket to Work funds to the Foundation so they can open a bank account. Ms. Burton made the motion to approve the transfer of funds. Ms. Walters seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD UPDATE

In the absence of Mr. Miller, Ms Holliday updated the WDB's activities around branding.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SUMMARY

Ms. Holliday gave updates to the board on: Regional Initiatives (two GoVA funded Talent Pipeline projects, NRV Tech Hub and VT's multi state Industrialized off site Construction project); Workforce System Reorganization; State laws regarding workforce and Federal WIOA Reauthorization. Then she led the group through the same branding process as the WDB. The following was selected.



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Ms. Carico provided the One-Stop Operator report and People Inc's program updates. Ms. Holliday provided updates on the Board's discretionary grants.

NEXT MEETING

Chair Biggs reviewed the travel reimbursement and meeting schedule. The next meeting would be the Joint Board Meeting on May 15, 2024 at 10 am at the Wytheville Meeting Center.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:55am.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marty Holliday". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Marty Holliday
Executive Director