

NEW RIVER/MOUNT ROGERS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

February 28, 2018

A meeting of the New River/Mount Rogers Workforce Development Board was held on February 28, 2018 at the Wytheville Meeting Center. Those in attendance were as follows:

Board Members

Mike Miller, Chair	Lori Mitchell
Karen Akers	John Overton
Pam Allison	Austin Phipps
CB Andrews, Jr	Robert Pierce
Howard Bartholomay	Susan Roberts
Shirley Carlson	Terry Smusz
Joe Ferrell, Vice-Chair	Mark Tapp
Mary Ann Gilmer	Rick Weaver
Robert Goldsmith	Lynn White
Melinda Leland	Jordan Loop (Alternate)
Josh Lewis	Jimmy Smith (Alternate)
Timothy McVey	

Guest

Phyllis Conner
Betty Segal
Kathy Malone
Brenda Rigley

Staff

Marty Holliday
Ronnie Martin
Beverly Burke

Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

The roll was called and a quorum was present.

Mr. White made the motion to approve the Agenda as presented with a second by Mr. Goldsmith. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Gilmer made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented with a second by Mr. White. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Miller asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board during the public comment period. There was none.

Matt Dunleavy, Executive Director, IMPACT Lab, Radford University was scheduled to speak, but due to a death in his family he was unable to attend. This will be rescheduled to a later time.

Ms. Holliday gave the Consortium Board update stating that the Consortium Board did not meet in January due to the weather, but that they had been busy moving towards Work Ready Communities. Ms. Holliday stated that the Consortium Board is slated to meet again in March.

Ms. Holliday updated the Board on Staff activities since their last meeting and reviewed the executive summary. Ms. Holliday stated that all 21 jurisdictions are working towards becoming Work Ready Communities at the same time. Once National CRC goals are met, all the Virginia CRCs that have been attained in the past will be added to the National CRC numbers. The third Work Ready Academy will be held in May. A brief discussion followed.

Ms. Holliday proceeded with informing the Board about the new branding from the State by showing a brief YouTube video concerning Virginia Career Works.

Moving on with the agenda, Chair Miller called for partner reports:

PARTNER REPORTS

Reports for the following partner agencies were given: Adult Education, Shirley Carlson; Career & Technical Education, Mr. Weaver; Community Based Organizations, Ms. Smusz and Mr. Goldsmith; Institute of Higher Education, Ms. Leland; Economic Development, Mr. Lewis; Title 1 Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Ms. Allison; Virginia's Employment Services, Mr. Akers; One-Stop Operator Report, Ms. Segal and Ms. Gilmer; Special Grants, Ms. Holliday.

Ms. Holliday highlighted several handouts in the packet for Job Fairs, seminars, the Pathways Grant, and Work Ready Communities.

The 2017 WDB meeting schedule was reviewed with Board members noting that the next WDB meeting is scheduled for April 25, 2018 at the Wytheville Meeting Center beginning at 10:00 AM.

Ms. Holliday discussed the Travel Voucher with Board members. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Beverly Burke', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Beverly Burke,
Workforce Operations Coordinator