

**Greenville County Workforce Development Board (GCWDB) Meeting**

**Wednesday, July 13, 2022, 11:30 a.m.**

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**AGENDA**

**I. Welcome and Call to Order**

**Ms. Robyn Knox, Chair**

**II. Quorum Validation (10 or more)**

**Ms. Knox**

***III. Minutes Approval (May 11, 2022)\****

**IV. Director's Report**

**Dean E. Jones, GCWDB Director**

1. PY22 Budget – for information
2. SC Works Online System (SCWOS)
3. Retreat Meeting Update
4. SETA Reminder
5. MOU-IFA Negotiation
6. GCWDB Membership/Subcommittee Changes
7. *SC Works Greenville Employee of the Year Nomination\**

**V. Contractor Status Reports**

1. Eckerd Connects – Amanda Mason, Program Manager
2. Equus Workforce Solutions – Nikki Burgess, Project Director

**VI. Other Business**

**VII. Adjourn**

*\*Denotes an action item*

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**Wednesday, May 11, 2022, 11:30 a.m.**  
**SC Works Greenville – McAlister Square**  
**225 S. Pleasantburg Dr., Suite E-1, Greenville SC, 29607**  
**Foothills Conference Room**

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Chandler Duggan, Vernita Harris Gill (via zoom), Craig Kinley, Robyn Knox (Chair), Larry Miller (Vice Chair), Jared Mogan (via zoom), Michael Panasko, John Serpa, Shan Smith, Kathy Stanton (via zoom), Scott Stoller (via zoom), Ben Waldrop, and Robert Valenca

**Members Absent:** Kathy Edwards, Patrick Michaels, Scott Sheinbaum, Kelly Shumaker, Charles Smith, Michael Thorne, and David Turnipseed

**GCWDB Staff and Contractor Staff Present:** Eva Anagnostis, Shelia Harper (via zoom), Dean Jones (via zoom), Angela Smith, Adam Lindsley, Nikki Burgess, Amanda Mason, Renee Alexander, Kal Kunkel (via zoom), and Rochelle Brown (via zoom)

**Guest/Visitors:** Melissa Rodgers (SCDEW; via zoom), Jim Smith (Kinetic Potential; via zoom)

I. **Welcome and Call to Order:** Chair Knox welcomed everyone to the meeting, and the meeting was called to order at 11:32 a.m. A round of introductions was done.

II. **Quorum Validation (11 or more):** A quorum was validated.

III. **Minutes Approval (March 9, 2022)\*:** Minutes were approved as submitted.

IV. **Director's Report (Mr. Dean E. Jones, GCWDB Director)**

1. **Financial Status Report:** Mr. Jones reviewed the financial status information. We are on target with expenditures. We have fully expended PY20 funds, and we are on track with PY21 spending. We expect to hit all of our spending goals by the end of the program year, but that is given that all of our contractors' predictions are accurate.
2. **Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) of 2022 – House Committee on Education and Labor Draft Recommendations:** Mr. Jones shared information on the reauthorization recommendations for WIOA. When the bill goes to the House, there may be some changes. Mr. Jones shared a few changes, such as eliminating that we spend a majority of our funds on Out-of-School Youth so that we can have an equal balance on In-School and Out-of-School Youth. There is also a proposal to change how we share costs for the American Jobs Centers. Mr. Jones reviewed a few other changes and encouraged members to read more information in the packet following the meeting.
3. **SC Works Certification Standards\*:** Mr. Jones reminded the Board of the process of certifying the SC Works Centers every two years. This process ensures that customers can access all the required services through every SC Works Center. Mr. Jones also discussed the appointment of the Business Services Lead as a part of this process, which is part our staff recommendation today. He told the Board that when they vote to certify the standards, that would also be appointing the BST Lead. We have had Ms. Johnnie-Lynn Crosby, SC Works Greater Upstate's Regional Director of Business Solutions (Equus Workforce Solutions) serve as our Business Services Lead for several years now, and we recommend she

continue that role. Mr. Jones introduced Ms. Eva Anagnostis (GCWDB Assistant Director) to review the standards and present the rest of the staff recommendation.

Ms. Anagnostis reviewed the process of compiling the SC Works Certification Standards and all of the documentation. She reminded Board members that she sent out the digital version with access to all supporting documentation last week, but also presented a few paper versions for anyone who wanted to review the standards during the meeting. Throughout the last month, members of the GCWDB staff and Equus staff met to review each standard and the accompanying documentation to ensure all standards were adequately met and documented. Ms. Anagnostis reviewed a few standards in detail so that Board members would have a chance to discuss the process and documentation further. She reviewed Management Standard 1e, Management Standard 6, Job Seeker Standard 1, and Business Services Standard 1. Ms. Anagnostis presented a staff recommendation to approve the SC Works Certification Standards, thereby certifying the SC Works Greenville McAlister Square Center. Motion passed without opposition.

- V. Other Business:** Mr. Jones shared that we will have the SCDEW monitors conducting a virtual monitoring next week. Additionally, we are expecting our PY22 allocations to be reported to the local areas soon. The state of South Carolina is receiving a 10% cut in funding, so we expect to get some sort of cut. We are always looking at ways to collaborate with other areas in SC to find ways to cut costs.

Dr. Larry Miller shared a collaboration between Greenville Tech and Greenville County Schools to allow students to attend Greenville Tech as a dual-enrolled student. They do not have to pay for tuition or books. Dr. Miller asked everyone to spread the word about this program.

Chair Knox shared her experience at Greenville County School's Workforce Business Luncheon. It was great to see all the businesses that have partnered with the Career and Technology Centers. The future of workforce development is really dependent on work-based learning experiences.

- VI. Adjourn:** Being there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

**\* Denotes an action item for GCWDB or Executive Committee Approval**

**\*\*Denotes Executive Committee has authorized Director to Proceed**