

Greenville County Workforce Development Board (GCWDB)
SC Works Committee Zoom Meeting, October 24, 2023, 12:00 Noon

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AGENDA

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| I. | Welcome and Call to Order | Mr. Dean Jones, GCWD Director |
| II. | Quorum Validation (6 of 10) | |
| III. | <i>Minutes Approval (April 25, 2023 and July 25, 2023)*</i> | |
| IV. | SHARE Presentation | Mr. Bruce Forbes |
| V. | Director's Report | Mr. Dean Jones, GCWD Director |
| VI. | Roundtable Updates Discussion | SC Works Partners |
| VII. | Other Business | |
| VIII. | Adjourn | |

**** Denotes an action item.***

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Greenville County Workforce Development Board (GCWDB)
SC Works Committee Meeting
Via Zoom Conference Call
April 25, 2023, 12:00 Noon

MINUTES

Committee Members: Kathy Stanton (Chair), Michael Delaney, Bruce Forbes, Beverly James, Jennifer Moorefield, Michelle Neeley, and Sandy White

Members Absent: Lisa Hall, Jim Smith, David Turnipseed, and Mary Louise Worthy

SC Works Greater Upstate/Partner Staff: Nikki Burgess and Kenneth Taylor

Workforce Development Board Staff: Dean Jones and Eva Anagnostis

Guests: Tracey Bledsoe and Melissa Cheek (Goodwill)

- I. **Welcome and Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 12:01 p.m.
- II. **Quorum Validation (6 required):** A quorum was validated.
- III. ***Minutes Approval (October 25, 2022)*:*** Minutes were approved without opposition.
- IV. **Directors Report (Mr. Dean E. Jones, GCWD Executive Director)**
 - a. **PY23 SC Works Greenville MOU/IFA Update:** The PY23 MOU/IFA Negotiation process is coming to a close. We submitted our Report of Outcomes to the state indicating that we have come to local agreements for how to share the costs of the SC Works Greenville center. There is one possible small budget change for WIOA and DEW, but no one else should be affected. The final MOU/IFA will go out for signature no later than May 15th.
 - b. **Partner Program Co-Enrollment/Collaboration Strategies:** Mr. Jones informed the Committee he would be sending out a survey to collect information on how the different partner programs work towards co-enrollment and collaboration strategies. We will include some of this information in our Local Plan Modification.
 - c. **Partner Presentation at Next Meeting:** Mr. Jones would like to continue having one or two partner programs present a more in-depth review of their programs at our future SC Works Committee meetings. He asked for a volunteer for the July 25th meeting, and Mr. Delaney from Greenville Schools Lifelong Learning will present next.
- V. **Goodwill Mission Mobile Presentation (Ms. Tracey Bledsoe, Mission Manager of Job Connections, Goodwill Industries of the Upstate and Midlands):** Ms. Bledsoe gave an overview of Goodwill's Mission Mobile, which is a vehicle that offers Job Connection services. These services include access to training tools, skills assessments, and job search and application assistance. Lack of transportation is a big barrier to getting the services listed above, especially in un/under served communities. Mission Mobile allows individuals in those communities to be

served. Ms. Bledsoe reviewed all the metrics Goodwill uses to measure success, including the number of people served by Mission Mobile. One important element to the vehicle is ADA accessibility (including wheelchair accessibility), which Goodwill ensured during the design process. Goodwill is trying to share information about Mission Mobile with as many people as possible so that they can attend more community events. Ms. Bledsoe asked that the committee members to share information with others following the meeting. The schedule for where they will be is located on their website.

VI. Roundtable Updates Discussion (SC Works Partners)

- Ms. Eva Anagnostis (GCWDB Assistant Director) informed the committee about Mr. Adam Lindsley leaving SC Works Greater Upstate, and she introduced the new Operations Manager, Mr. Kenneth Taylor.
- Mr. Bruce Forbes (SHARE) mentioned that the United Way is changing how they fund different organizations. He reminded Mr. Jones about a group they had several years ago that worked with Greenville Tech and different employers to get people trained and employed in manufacturing. Mr. Forbes is interested in creating a group like this again.
- Ms. Nikki Burgess (SC Works Greater Upstate) shared information about the WIOA program in Greenville. They have met their enrollment goals for the year, but will continue to enroll new participants as funds allow. A new On-the-Job Training (OJT) project should allow us to enroll 14 more OJT participants.
- Ms. Beverly James (Greenville County Library System) told the committee that the summer reading program registration is coming up. They are also in the planning stages of a new branch library in Blue Ridge.
- Ms. Kathy Stanton (SCDEW) shared information about the SC Works Road Trip. This job fair/resource fair is traveling to different rural communities in South Carolina.

VII. Other Business: None

VIII. Next Meeting: The next SC Works Committee Meeting is scheduled for July 25, 2023.

IX. Adjourn: Being there were no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:31 p.m.

Greenville County Workforce Development Board (GCWDB)
SC Works Committee Meeting
SC Works Greenville – McAlister Square
225 S. Pleasantburg Drive, Suite E-1, Greenville SC 29607
July 25, 2023, 12:00 Noon

MINUTES

Committee Members: Kathy Stanton (Chair), Michael Delaney, Bruce Forbes, Jennifer Moorefield, and Michelle Neeley

Members Absent: Beverly James, Victoria Novak, Jim Smith, David Turnipseed, Sandy White, and Mary Louise Worthy

Other GCWDB Members: Robyn Knox

SC Works Greater Upstate/Partner Staff: Nikki Burgess (Equus), Kenneth Taylor (Equus), Ashley Randolph (DEW), and Welline Bowles (Job Corps)

Workforce Development Board Staff: Dean Jones and Eva Anagnostis

Guests: Jerry Francis (Native American Affairs)

- I. **Welcome and Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 12:02 p.m.
- II. **Quorum Validation (6 required):** A quorum was not validated.
- III. ***Minutes Approval (April 25, 2023)*:*** Minutes could not be approved without a quorum.

IV. Presentations

- a. **Native American Affairs (Mr. Jerry Francis):** Mr. Francis has been going around the state and sharing cultural awareness presentations with different local areas. He shared several resources, including a Native American Culture Card. Mr. Francis discussed the tribes in SC. He also shared some information about culture sensitivity. One focal point was communication style. Native Americans may look down during speaking to show respect for elders present. They may offer a gentle handshake as a sign of respect. Story telling is a common form of conveying information, so they may not give short answers. Mr. Francis suggested that staff get more involved with the communities by attending events and reaching out to members to establish relationships.
- b. **Lifelong Learning (Mr. Michael Delaney):** Mr. Delaney shared information about Lifelong Learning's programs and outcomes. Recently, they held a graduation ceremony on Greenville Tech's campus for all of their programs. Lifelong Learning is the only Adult Ed program that teaches the GED in Spanish, and then they take students to Augusta, GA on a bus to take the tests in Spanish. They have many different learning opportunities, including in-person and virtual GED classes, IET, etc. Mr. Delaney shared about their Work Place Literacy programs.

Finally, Mr. Delaney showed their performance from last year, including passing measures on all but one performance measure.

V. Director's Report (Mr. Dean E. Jones, GCWD Executive Director)

- a. PY23 SC Works Greenville MOU/IFA Update:** The PY23 MOU/IFA Negotiation process has been completed for the year. Mr. Jones thanked partners for their help throughout the process.
- b. First Amendment Audits:** Mr. Jones informed the partners that we have been hearing about people visiting government buildings and filming staff. We need to make sure that staff only areas are clearly marked because public filming is not allowed in those areas. There is a training going on this week, and we will share information when we receive it.
- c. Partner Presentation at Next Meeting:** Ms. Anagnostis asked who would like to present their program for the October meeting. Mr. Bruce Forbes (SHARE) volunteered.

VI. Roundtable Updates Discussion (SC Works Partners)

- Mr. Bruce Forbes (SHARE) discussed a few changes at SHARE. Crystal Henry is the new Ladder Career Coach, and Quiwanna James is now with United Ministries. SHARE staff have been visiting many different education providers to get a better understanding of how they do things so that staff can know how to best serve clients when they come in.
- Ms. Michelle Neeley (Goodwill) made a few announcements. Goodwill just received a Homeless Veteran Reintegration Program (HVRP). They are working with the Rupert Center. This grant opens things up to serve more individuals, along with their families. They were also just re-awarded the Pathway Home grant, which works with re-entry populations (individuals must register while they are still incarcerated to be served by this grant).

VII. Other Business: None

VIII. Next Meeting: The next SC Works Committee Meeting is scheduled for October 24, 2023.

IX. Adjourn: Being there were no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:51 p.m.