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**GREENVILLE COUNTY**  
Workforce Development Board

*Preparing the workforce, growing our economy*

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**Executive Committee Zoom Meeting**

**Wednesday, August 14, 2024**

**11:30 A.M.**

Join Zoom Meeting

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**Committee Members (4): Craig Kinley, Robyn Knox, Jennifer Moorefield, Kelly Shumaker**

**Agenda**

- I. **Welcome and Call to Order** **Ms. Kelly Shumaker**
- II. **Quorum Validation (3 or more)**
- III. ***Minutes Approval (June 12, 2024)\****
- IV. **Director's Report** **Mr. Dean E. Jones, GCWDB Director**
  - a. ***SC Works Greenville Business Services Team Lead Designation\****
- V. **Other Business**
- VI. **Adjourn**

*\*Denotes an action item*

Public Law 101-166, Section 511: The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Adult Program is supported by the Employment and Training Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor as part of an award totaling \$497,007 with \$0 (0%) state, local, and/or non-governmental funds. The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Dislocated Worker Program is supported by the Employment and Training Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor as part of an award totaling \$631,222 with \$0 (0%) state, local, and/or non-governmental funds. The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth Program is supported by the Employment and Training Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor as part of an award totaling \$512,831 with \$0 (0%) state, local, and/or non-governmental funds.

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Executive Committee Meeting  
Wednesday June 12, 2024, 11:30 a.m.  
Meeting held via Zoom Call**

**Minutes**

**Members Present:** Robyn Knox, Craig Kinley, and Kelly Shumaker

**Members Absent:** Jennifer Moorefield

**Staff Present:** Dean Jones and Eva Anagnostis

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 11:33 a.m.
- II. **Quorum Validation (3 or more):** A quorum was present.
- III. **Minutes Approval (August 9, 2023 and April 10, 2024)\*:** Minutes were approved without opposition.
- IV. **Director's Report (Mr. Dean E. Jones, GCWDB Director)**
  1. **PY24 WIOA Budget Approval:** Mr. Jones shared our PY24 local funding allocations, as well as a chart showing the percentages of funding lost over the last two years. Our budget has been cut by roughly 14% over the last two years. When the employment situation improves, generally our funding decreases. Greenville County's unemployment rate is very low currently. After we received allocations, Ms. Angela Smith (GCWD Finance Manager) finalized our budget, which is being presented to the Executive Committee. Mr. Jones reviewed each line in the budget, and he discussed our expectations around transfers later in the year. Mr. Jones presented a staff recommendation to approve the PY24 Budget and extend both the Equus Workforce Solutions and Eckerd Connects contracts for another year. There was a motion and a second, and the motion passed without opposition.
  2. **Additional Grant Opportunities:** As we lose funding, it becomes increasingly important that we seek additional grant opportunities, both through our State Workforce Development Board (SWDB) and other organizations. Mr. Jones reviewed three opportunities that we are actively working on ideas or applications for.
    - a. **SWDB Innovation (INN) Grant:** There are \$3 million available for LWDBs to pilot new strategies for delivering workforce development resources in their local communities and/or throughout their region in regional collaboration. We are currently working on an application that combines several different pilot projects, in coordination with a few different partners. First, we plan to work specifically

with one business park to deliver targeted business services in that area. Second, we are working to create a summer arts camp for Youth. Third, we are working on a way to certify individuals with an NCCER through use of Transfr VR technology. Partnering with a Local Workforce Development Board (LWDB) is new for NCCER, and we could roll out the training to employers as an Incumbent Worker Training (IWT).

- b. **Workforce Opportunity for Rural Communities (WORC) Initiative Demonstration Grants:** There is a grant opportunity for the Appalachian Region focused on workforce collaboration. The closing date is coming up quickly (July 15<sup>th</sup>), and we would need to apply through Greenville County.
- c. **SWDB Planning and Development (PAD) Grant:** This grant allows LWDBs to apply for up to \$75,000 to spend towards professional development for staff and/or LWDB members (e.g., SETA Conference). It also allows for us to hire contract services to help with strategic planning or local/regional plans. Chair Knox said she wanted to make sure that staff get professional development opportunities.

3. **PY23 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Performance:** Mr. Jones shared the PY23 3<sup>rd</sup> QTR Performance. We are currently passing all measures on 3<sup>rd</sup> QTR alone. However, we are failing Youth Credential Rate on the Rolling 4 QTR report, and we are expecting we may fail that measure for PY23. The biggest reason seems to be that we enrolled so many Youth in GED training, and they do not go on for further training or get employed after obtaining their GEDs. We are working with our Youth provider to change strategies, but it takes time to see results in performance reports.

4. **SWDB Satisfaction and LWDB Survey:** Mr. Jones discussed the survey being sent out from the SWDB to the Board Chairs with the request to send it to the rest of the LWDB members for their input.

V. **Other Business:** We reviewed the business and approvals that would be coming at the July LWDB meeting, including the Conflict of Interest forms, Business Services Lead designation, and blanket transfer waiver approval.

VI. **Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 12:33 p.m.

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