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Minutes

The Georgia Mountains Workforce Investment Board (GMWIB) met January 26, 2012 at the Gainesville Civic Center in Gainesville, GA at 4:00 pm. Handouts were made available as visual aids. Also a sign in sheet was distributed and the following were present:

Members Present

Andrea Gibby
Audrey Turner
Charlie Auvermann
Clark Wilingham
Connie Smith
Dale Harrell
Angela Whidby for Gerald Voyles
Deborah K. Mack
Dr. John Raber
Janice Riley
Pat Freeman
Peter J. Hill Sr.
Rex Farmer
Sam Norton
Stanley Darnell
Tim Bala
W. Danny Lewis
William (Bill) Chafin
William S. Wade

Staff/Guest Present

Diana Eddins -Wiggin
Diane Jackson
Jessica Williams
John Phillips
Nona Turk

Call to Order/Welcome

Andrea Gibby, Board Chair called the meeting to order. She welcomed the attendees. A roll call was done and a quorum was established.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Gibby advised the members that the minutes from the October 24, 2011 and the December 2, 2011 minutes need to be approved. Upon review, a motion was made to accept the minutes as written.

Motion to accept was made by Sam Norton.
Motion seconded by William (Bill) Chafin.
All were in favor, motion passed unanimously.

New Business

New Board Members - Connie Smith with the Department of Labor gave a brief Bio to the board members. Angelia Whidby replaced Gerald Voyles, who requested to be off the Board.

Adult/Youth GED - Workforce Development Director, John Phillips discussed the new pilot GED program working with the Hall County and Dawson County Court System to assist offenders in obtaining their GED.

Chair Gibby asked for a nomination to approve the GED pilot program.

Motion was made by Dr. John Raber to approve pilot GED program.

Dale Harrell seconded the motion with the condition to come back to the board in one quarter with a plan.

All in favor, motion passed unanimously.

Goodwill/New Provider – John Phillips told the Board that Goodwill has submitted an application to provide training for Forklift Operator and Floor Tech. He stated no vote was needed at this time.

New Staff - Ginger Little, Program Associate / Marissa Smith, Receptionist Admin Secretary / Andrea Disharoon, HR

Lee Arrendale Transition Center – Diana Eddins-Wiggin, Adult/DW Supervisor told the Board members about the Transition Center and how Georgia Mountains Workforce Development may be able to assist with training for eligible candidates from the Transition Center. Diana and Jessica Williams visited the Transition Center on January 25th and gave an overview of the services available from GMWD office.

Summer Jobs – Jessica Williams, Youth Case Manager Supervisor, gave a brief discussion on the summer jobs for youth and an update of accomplishments thus far.

Old Business

Approval of By-Laws - Chair Gibby advised members that the By-Laws needed to be approved. She informed members, a copy of the By-Laws had been e-mailed to them and a copy is also in their packets.

Motion was made by Danny Lewis to approve By-Laws with the exception of the typo on page three.

William Wade seconded motion.

All in favor, motion passed unanimously.

Comprehensive Plan – Chair Gibby informed the Board that the Plan will be on the web site for 30 days and there will be a called meeting in March for approval.

Youth Council – A list of the new Youth Council was included in the handouts. A motion was made to approve the Youth Council with two additional members by Peter Hill.

Danny Lewis seconded motion. All were in favor, motion passed unanimously.

Financial update

Nona Turk, Billing specialist gave a brief financial update.

Performance update

Diana Eddins-Wiggin gave an update on the number of WIA customers that completed their training successfully fall semester.

Meeting Calendar

The next scheduled meeting is March 29, 2012.

Adjournment

Will Wade made a motion to adjourn.
Angela Whidby seconded, all agreed. Meeting Adjourned