



Minutes – COWIB Board of Directors – DRAFT

Regular Meeting – August 15, 2018

Members Present: Richard Brown (Chair), Sheila Baber, Mike Blackwell, Deseree Brown, Cynthia Brundige, Amber Cole, Jeff Cover, Steve Crank, Alan Dale, Mike Goza, Jeff Griffin, Marty Lewis, Chuck Mills, Steve Saxon, Perry Sneed, Johnny Southwell, 16

Members Absent: Theresa Stewart (Vice-Chair), Darci Williams (Vice-Chair), Robert Amundson, Cynthia Brundige, Jack Bryant, Bryan Caskey, Linda Cavitt, Dan Cromwell, Tara Crowley, Drew Dugan, Alan Geiger, Warren Griffis, Carla Johnston, Bill Jones, Patricia Legion, Jorge Martinez, David Neely, Tim O'Connor, Darlene O'Hara, Tom Sexton, Philip Sherwin, Theresa Stewart, Darci Williams, Tim Yaciuk. 24

COWIB Staff: Eddie Foreman, Goldie Jackson, Carol Samuels, Ashley Sellers 04

Guests: Donna Sanders, Kimberly Word, Trini Rodriguez, Travis Rollins, Tom Summar, Teri Leisten, Robin Ueltzen..... 07

The agenda was posted at the office of the Central Oklahoma Workforce Investment Board, 3813 N Santa Fe, Suite 135, Oklahoma City, OK, on August 14, 2018 at 8:00 a.m..

1. Call to Order, Welcome and Introduction

Richard Brown called the meeting to order at 11:47 a.m. CDST. The meeting convened in the Gordon Cooper Technology Center, Skylab 1, 2 John C Bruton Drive, Shawnee, OK 74801.

2. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum

A quorum was declared to be present with sixteen (16) members present.¹

3. Approval of Consent Docket

- **Item 1 6/20/2018 Minutes**
- **Item 2 Program Year 18 Budget with transfer of DLW funds to Adult**
- **Item 3 BCEO/Board Agreement**
- **Item 4 Fiscal Agent agreement with Western**
- **Item 5 Agreement with WOWDB/COWIB**

Discussion

Motion was made by Perry Sneed to approve Consent Docket; second offered by Chuck Mills; a vote was called for. VOTE: All Aye; motion carried.

4. Discussion & Possible Action: Petition Employee Group Insurance Benefits (EGIB) for Short Term and Long Term disability coverage

Discussion Eddie Foreman - We have permission from the BCEO to make application to EGIB for this coverage. We may or may not be eligible by legal definition. If we are approved it will save us significant cost over what we currently have and if we can't get it we will continue to shop for less expensive alternatives.

Motion was made by Chuck Mills to approve; second offered by Perry Sneed a vote was called for. VOTE: All Aye; motion carried.

¹ Pursuant to the Board's bylaws, approved February 15, 2017, Section 7.05(c): "In order to conduct business, the Board quorum requirement is that thirteen (13) members must be present to constitute a quorum in order to conduct business."

5. Success Stories: Bailey Fitchett and Penny Pelkey

6. Report by One-Stop Operator

Tom Summar offered a detailed explanation of the end of the program year performance numbers. He provided a breakdown of training dollars spent per training institution and from which funding stream. He also provided the success rate at each training institution.

7. CEO's Report

Eddie Foreman presented the CEO's report.

Discussion – CEO reported that there are two Oklahoma Senate Interim studies connected to Workforce development. One by Senator Smalley on work based learning requested by a lobbyist for ACT that will probably focus on their National Career Readiness Certificate, which is simply a trademark and not an actually recognized certification. There have been two lawsuits over its use. The other by Senator Standridge was done at my request in an attempt to have legislation created to combine federal employment and training programs under one state entity administration. It will meet on September 10, 2018

8. Chairman's Report

Richard Brown presented the Chairman's report.

We have two upcoming job fairs. October 24, 2018 at Firelake Arena and October 12 at the Chevy Bricktown Event Center

9. Public Comment

Erin Risley-Baird, Director for the Oklahoma Office of Workforce Development presented on the transitional plan for once the new Governor takes office. They want a team approach to tackle the transition. The areas they are currently working on are:

- Work Based Learning
- increasing the educational attainment of Oklahoman's
- States critical occupations list of 100 critical occupations
- Skillful State- shifting the hiring emphasis to skills based hiring.

The Director also discussed the frustrations the State is currently experiencing waiting on guidance from DOL and Department of Education. DOL has delayed guidance on the Eligible Training Provider List (EPTL)

10. Adjourn

Motion was made by Perry Sneed to adjourn; second offered by Chuck Mills a vote was called for.

VOTE: All Aye; motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Ashley Sellers.

Minutes as approved on date.

Richard Brown