

LUMBER RIVER WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
30 CJ WALKER ROAD
PEMBROKE, NC 28372
THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 2022
8:30 A.M.
Via Zoom Conference Call

MEMBERS PRESENT

Private Sector: Jay Todd; Ophelia Ray; Roderick Locklear; Kelly Lowry;
Jessica Wilson; Mark Ward

Community Based Organization: Thomas Brooks

Consortium Board Member: Justin Dawkins; John Cummings

Higher Education: None

Wagner Peysers: Peggy Hunt Davis

Vocational Rehabilitation: Bobbie McNeil

Economic Development: William Wright; Channing Jones

Organized Labor: Carolyn Floyd-Robinson

Adult Education & Literacy: Dr. Amanda Lee

MEMBERS ABSENT

Community Based Organization: John Alford

Private Sector: Evans Sheppard (excused); Jean Fletcher (excused);
James Taylor (excused); Jamie Woodell (excused); Terry
Lewis(excused); Kimberly Futrell (excused);

Consortium Board Member: None

Higher Education: Dr. William D. McInnis

Vocational Rehabilitation: None

Economic Development: Channing Jones (excused)

Organized Labor: None

STAFF

Patricia Hammonds, WD Administrator; Sonya Johnson, LRCOG Administrative Secretary/Clerk
to Board; Alice Williams, WD ; David Richardson, LRCOG Executive Director

GUESTS

Sherwood Southerland, Two Hawk Workforce Services; Aletha Poole, Two Hawk Workforce
Services; Lindsey Almond, Two Hawk Workforce Services; Melba McCallum, Partners in

Ministry; Katrina Harbison, Bladen Community College; A.J Johnson, NCWorks Career Center, Robeson; Tamara Harris, NC Commerce; Stephanie Littles, Richmond County; Elizabeth Kurtzer, NC Commerce; Sandra Guyton; Matthew Fowler; B.J. Dial; Regina Smalls; Rick Ransome, UNCP; Andie Korte, Sandhills Community College; Chet Mottershead, NC Commerce

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jay Todd called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance. Roll Call was completed by Sonya Johnson, Clerk to Board. Mr. Todd read the Conflict of Interest policy from the By-Laws.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Channing Jones and seconded by Mr. John Cummings to approve the October 28, 2021 minutes as presented. Motion was unanimously approved. Voting in favor of the motion were: Jay Todd, Kelly Lowry, Jessica Wilson, Ophelia Ray, Roderick Locklear, Thomas Brooks, Justin Dawkins, John Cummings, Mark Ward, Peggy Hunt Davis, Bobbi McNeil, Channing Jones, William Wright, Carolyn Floyd-Robinson, and Dr. Amanda Lee.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

PY 21 AD & DW Expenditure Report

Ms. Patricia Hammonds reviewed the Adult and Dislocated Worker Expenditure reports for July 2021 through November 30, 2021

A motion was made by Mr. John Cummings and seconded by Mr. Terry Lewis to approve the PY 22 AD & DW Expenditure Report as presented. Motion was unanimously approved. Voting in favor of the motion were: Jay Todd, Kelly Lowry, Jessica Wilson, Ophelia Ray, Roderick Locklear, Thomas Brooks, Justin Dawkins, John Cummings, Mark Ward, Peggy Hunt Davis, Bobbi McNeil, Channing Jones, William Wright, Carolyn Floyd-Robinson, and Dr. Amanda Lee.

PY 21 Youth Expenditure Report

Ms. Patricia Hammonds presented the Youth Service Delivery and Expenditure reports for July 1, 2021 through November 30, 2021.

A motion was made by Ms. Peggy Hunt-Davis and seconded by Ms. Carolyn Robinson to approve the PY 21 Youth Expenditure Report as presented. Motion was unanimously approved. Voting in favor of the motion were: Jay Todd, Kelly Lowry, Jessica Wilson, Ophelia Ray, Roderick Locklear, Thomas Brooks, Justin Dawkins, John Cummings, Mark Ward, Peggy

Hunt Davis, Bobbi McNeil, Channing Jones, William Wright, Carolyn Floyd-Robinson, and Dr. Amanda Lee.

LRWDB NextGen Committee Recommendations

Ms. Ophelia Ray advised the Board that the LRWDB NextGen Committee met on January 10, 2022 and discussed the following items:

- **PY 21 Lumber River NextGen Services Delivery Reports were reviewed and discussed-** The Committee accepted and approved the reports as presented.
- **PY 21 NextGen Service Provider Monitoring Report -** The Committee accepted and approved the reports as presented.
- **UNC Pembroke Monitoring and Carry-over Request-** Per the request of the LRWDB, a thorough review of UNCP's program operations was completed. At the conclusion of the monitoring, staff recommended allocating the PY 20 Carryover Request in the amount of \$93, 559. 30 to UNCP for program In-School and Out of school youth services in Robeson County. The Committee accepted and approved the request as presented.
- **NextGen Service Provider Highlights and Calendars -** No action taken. Informational purposes only.

LRWDB NextGen Committee Recommendation

Mr. Will Wright advised the Board that the LRWDB Evaluation Committee met on January 11, 2022 and discussed the following items:

- **WIOA AD/DW Program Service Delivery Reports were reviewed and discussed-** No action taken. Informational purposes only.
- **PY 21 AD/DW Service Provider Monitoring Report -** The Committee accepted and approved the reports as reported.

LRWDB Career Center Committee Meeting Summary

Ms. Patricia Hammonds advised the Board that the LRWDB NCWorks Career Committee met on January 18, 2022 to review and discuss Career Center Operations. The following items were discussed:

- PY 21 Career Center Metrics Report
- PY21 Career Center Goals Quarter 2
- NCWorks Career Center Updates and Events
- Business Services Update

Special Guest – Chet Mottershead, Assistant Secretary, NC Commerce Division of Workforce Solutions

Mr. Chet Mottershead, Assistant Secretary with NC Commerce Division of Workforce Solutions presented information regarding the NCWorks Commission Realignment Study.

WD ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Patricia Hammonds discussed with the Board the following information:

- LRWDB Customer Impact Stories
- Covid-19 Employment Program Update
- Finish Line Grant Update
- Labor Market Information report
- LRWDB Staff Update

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.