

Minutes
CareerSource Northeast Florida Executive Board Meeting
August 22, 2018

A meeting of the FCWD, Inc., Executive Board was called to order by Chair Elaine Johnson on Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at 9:07 a.m. at the CSNEFL Corporate Office, 1845 Town Center Boulevard, Fleming Island, Florida. The following members participated, representing a quorum:

Darryl Register	Dan Vohs	Elaine Johnson
Eda Edgerton	Joe Pickens	Jake Schickel

Excused: Clay Lyons

Staff: Bruce Ferguson, Jay Loy, Steven Dionisio, Cheryl Taylor, Candace Moody, Dianna Davis and Diane Nevison

Others: None

Public Comment: Eda Edgerton thanked Joe Pickens and Candace Moody for speaking to her rotary group. Positive feedback was received and members would like to hear more about CSNEFL.

***Action Items**

***Approval of Minutes**

Motion made by Eda Edgerton and seconded by Jake Schickel to move approval the June 27, 2018 Executive Board minutes as written; motion unanimously carried.

Discussion Items

PY 2019 Federal Budget

Congress should be approving the 2019 budget in a timely manner. WIOA programs (Adult, Dislocated Worker and Youth) in the DOL budget are mostly level funded to a slight increase. The House and Senate are in agreement in those program funds with some slight differences but nothing that affects us greatly. Wagner Peyser has the biggest difference with the Senate at \$600,000 and the House at \$686,231. A number will be agreed upon with the final number determined by Florida formula.

Perkin funding has taken a big hit (25-27%) in the DOE budget. Dr. Pickens was asked to talk about the impact this will have on state colleges and school districts. The funding cut will be significant. St. Johns River State College receives approximately \$500,000 in Perkin funds which is used strictly for workforce programs funds and funds 3 positions. It is the only workforce funding they receive out of a \$31 million budget. Dr. Pickens will meet with Dr. Anna Lebesch who runs their workforce initiative to discuss the impact and he will report back at the September Executive Board meeting on how it will impact them, and the system as a whole, in particular FSCJ, Lake City and Florida Gateway the state colleges in our region.

Preliminary 2017-18 WIOA Performance

Preliminary 2017-2018 WIOA performance numbers for our region are in the agenda and are close predictions to the actual numbers. We are exceeding in all categories (Adult, Dislocated Workers, Youth and Wagner Peyser). The agenda includes 2 different information formats i.e., spreadsheet, and a new metric format. Which format do members prefer? Most preferred the spreadsheet because it contains more information and the metric format would be good for staff. We will continue to produce both sheets and refine the metric sheet. The Chair agreed stating the metric sheet would be good for the staff.

New Board Members

The FCWD Consortium approved the appointment of 2 new CSNEFL Board members. Mr. Wayne McClain (Putnam County) and Michael Templeton (Duval County). Board orientation is scheduled and they will be introduced at our October meeting. Their Bios are in the packet.

July Employment Statistics

The July 2018 unemployment numbers for the region is 3.9% (.04 % lower than last year and .01% lower than the state). People who were sitting on the sideline are reengaging in the workforce. Highest growth rate industries are construction, leisure and hospitality with declines in IT and wholesale trade. Career Centers are holding career fairs 2-3 times per week to fill employer needs. Customers coming into the centers are the hardest to serve and staff intend to get them back into the workforce. Our Industry Sector Managers are going into the centers and bringing a sector employer with them to talk to the customers. The Chair added from an employer's standpoint, they are struggling to fill higher-level positions. Our accounting staff are closing out last year's numbers. There is a strong demand this year for ITA's with people starting class the next 2 weeks.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Executive Board is scheduled Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at 9 a.m. Some staff attending the workforce summit in Orlando will call in for the meeting, however depending on agenda topics, the Executive Board meeting may be rescheduled to another date. An Outlook Invite with the date will be sent to members.

The next Full Board meeting is Thursday, October 25, 2018 from **9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.** at the University of North Florida, Adam W. Herbert University Center, and 12000 Alumni Drive, Jacksonville, FL.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:27 a.m.