

**COUNCIL OF CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIALS (CCEOs)**

**of Northwest Georgia**

**SUMMARY**

9:00 a.m. ~ Thursday, April 17, 2013  
Calhoun Convention Center, Calhoun, GA  
Called Meeting

**Attendance - CCEO**

**CCEOs Present or Represented, County:**

Jason Winters, Chattooga (proxy, Ted Rumley)  
Ted Rumley, Dade  
Donna Whitener, Fannin (proxy, Ted Rumley)  
Allen Poole, Haralson  
Brittany Pittman, Murray  
David Austin, Paulding  
Robert Jones, Pickens  
Bebe Heiskell, Walker (proxy, Ted Rumley)  
Mike Babb, Whitfield

**CCEOs Not Present or Represented, County**

Steve Taylor, Bartow  
Joe Barger, Catoosa  
Irwin Bagwell, Floyd  
Jimmy Palmer, Gordon  
Al Hoyle, Gilmer  
Jason Ward, Polk

**Staff/Guests Present**

Gwen Dellinger  
Lloyd Frasier  
Terri Morgan

I. Welcome

Ted Rumley, Chairman, welcomed the members and opened the meeting. It was determined that a quorum was present.

II. Budget .....Gwen Dellinger

Gwen Dellinger presented those present with a budget. Allen Poole made the motion that this budget be approved. Robert Jones seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Contracts .....Gwen Dellinger

Ms. Dellinger presented a request from Georgia Highlands College to approve the Management Development Continuing Education course at a cost of \$1,815. Ms. Dellinger also presented a request from Chattooga Board of Education for two additional apprenticeship slots. This will not increase the contract's total amount. Robert Jones made the motion to approve these requests. Allen Poole seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Plan Update.....Gwen Dellinger

Gwen Dellinger informed those present that the State's plan had not yet been approved by the USDOL. She also stated that, once the State's Plan was available, it was anticipated that changes would need to be made to the Local Plan. Some changes were

already made due to legislation requiring changes to the Board’s composition. Ms. Dellinger also informed those present that changes to support policies may also need to be made depending upon changes in guidelines regarding support payments.

V. Fund Transfer .....Gwen Dellinger

Ms. Dellinger reported that the Disaster Grant is set to expire on April 30, 2013 and the Hospital Grant will expire on June 30, 2013, unless an extension is received. She stated that individuals enrolled in training under these grants are also eligible for Dislocated Worker funds. He asked that the WIB approve a transfer of 30% from Adult to Dislocated Worker funds in order that individuals still enrolled in training could complete their training, if needed. Allen Poole made the motion that this request be approved. David Austin seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. Performance Adjustment .....Gwen Dellinger

Ms. Dellinger stated that a performance adjustment had been requested for the Adult Average 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter After Exit Earnings. Staff requested that the measure be lowered to \$12,500 from \$13,500 due to the depressed wages in our area. This request was granted.

VII. Bid for New Company.....Gwen Dellinger

Ms. Dellinger reported that the Governor’s Office of Workforce Development had contacted her regarding a possible new company that the state of Georgia was bidding for. They asked if there were incentives that could be provided to this company that would assist in persuading them to locate in the Whitfield/Murray County area. Ms. Dellinger spoke with WIB Chairman, Bruce Bowman and CCEO Chairman, Ted Rumley and it was agreed that WIA could provide \$214,200 in On-the-Job Training funds to support this venture. A total of \$250,000 is requested to be put aside for next year. GOWD has verbally agreed to match these funds with \$350,000. Ms. Dellinger asked that the WIB endorse this decision. Robert Jones made the motion to endorse the decision. Mike Babb seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

VIII. Complaint .....Gwen Dellinger

Ms. Dellinger informed those present that the Executive Committee had previously been informed of a complaint by a participant regarding wages received from an OJT provider. The provider was paying the participant in cash and not withholding taxes. The individual

wanted additional wages after the training period. That complaint was deemed by the attorney not to be part of the time covered by WIA.

However, an additional complaint has been made verbally by a participant who claims a similar situation occurred during the training period. Ms. Dellinger stated that no new complaint has been received in writing at this time but if it is received, it will be forwarded to the attorney.

#### Other

Ms. Dellinger presented a nomination from Martha Eaker, Catoosa County Chamber of Commerce, for Jack Killian, Owner, Killian-Clark Partnership, to replace Vance Grant on the WIB. She asked for approval contingent upon the approval of the Catoosa County CCEO. David Austin made the motion to approve, contingent upon the concurrence of Joe Barger, Catoosa County CCEO. Robert Jones seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dellinger reminded those present of the Tri-State meeting which will be hosted by the Lowe's Regional Distribution Center in Rome. The cutoff date for RSVPs is April 19, 2013.

#### Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.