

**Council of Chief Elected Officials  
of Northwest Georgia**

Thursday, February 16, 2017, 10:00 a.m.  
Gordon County Agricultural Services Center, Calhoun, GA

**Summary**

**Attendance**

**CCEOs Present or Represented, County:**

Steve Taylor, Bartow  
Harry Harvey, Chattooga  
Jason Winters, Chattooga  
Alex Case, Dade  
Ted Rumley, Dade  
Stan Helton, Fannin  
Donna Whitener, Fannin (proxy, Ted Rumley)  
Jamie Doss, Floyd (proxy Craig McDaniel)  
Rhonda Wallace, Floyd (proxy, Ted Rumley)  
Al Hoyle, Gilmer  
Charlie Paris, Gilmer  
Becky Hood, Gordon (proxy, Norris Sexton)  
Jimmy Palmer, Gordon  
Pete Bridges, Haralson (proxy, Ted Rumley)  
Allen Poole, Haralson  
Tyson Haynes, Murray  
Greg Hogan, Murray  
Boyd Austin, Paulding (proxy, Ted Rumley)  
David Carmichael, Paulding  
Robert Jones, Pickens (proxy, Ted Rumley)  
John Weaver, Pickens  
Jordan Hubbard, Polk (proxy, Ted Rumley)  
Marshelle Thaxton, Polk (proxy, Ted Rumley)  
Teddy Harris, Walker  
Shannon Whitfield, Walker  
Lynn Laughter, Whitfield  
Ken Gowin, Whitfield (proxy, Mike Babb)

**CCEOs Not Present or Represented, County**

Mitchell Bagley, Bartow  
Steven Henry, Catoosa  
Nick Millwood, Catoosa

**Staff and Guests:**

Gwen Dellinger  
Lloyd Frasier  
Lesia Lambert  
Terri Morgan  
Phyllis Walker

I. Welcome. . . . . Ted Rumley

Ted Rumley called the meeting of the Council of Chief Elected Officials to order. It was established that a quorum was present.

II. WDB Membership.. . . . Gwen Dellinger

Gwen Dellinger reminded those present that the WDB has a vacancy in the "CCEO" category (formerly filled by Mike Babb, who chose not to run for the Whitfield County Commission). Ms. Dellinger stated that staff had sent correspondence to the CCEOs regarding serving in this capacity but had received no affirmative responses. Staff then sent correspondence to all of the Mayors in the region and received the following affirmative responses:

- David Bennett, Lookout Mountain, Walker County
- Kenneth Carson, Adairsville, Bartow County
- Anthony Hulsey, Varnell, Whitfield County
- Al Pallone, Emerson, Bartow County
- Larry Stansell, Trion, Chattooga County
- Dennis Shoaf, Cave Spring, Floyd County
- Dennis Thayer, Euharlee, Bartow County

After some discussion, Stan Helton made the motion to approve Larry Stansell, Mayor of Trion, for the CCEO category on the WDB. Shannon Whitfield seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dellinger also stated that there may be some vacancies in the "Business Representative" category on the WDB that some of these Mayors who also work in the private industry could possibly fill and that staff would keep them in mind as the WDB memberships are affirmed in the coming months.

III. CCEO Memorandum of Agreement..... Gwen Dellinger

Ms. Dellinger reviewed the CCEO Memorandum of Agreement, attached, with those present. Mr. Rumley stressed the importance of attending the CCEO meetings. He encouraged the CCEOs to read the entire Handbook, including the Memorandum of Agreement so that they could better understand the duties and responsibilities assigned to Chief Elected Officials under the provisions of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

IV. Orientation..... Gwen Dellinger

Ms. Dellinger also reviewed the "Chief Elected Officials of Northwest Georgia Orientation Manual and Reference Guide" (attached). Ted Rumley

Other

Mr. Rumley asked everyone present to introduce themselves and thanked the members for their attendance. Mr. Rumley also asked that staff provide a listing of abbreviations and acronyms to the CCEO for reference.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.