

Council of Chief Elected Officials of Northwest Georgia

Thursday, March 17, 2016, 10:30 a.m.
Gordon County Agricultural Services Center, Calhoun, GA
Summary

Attendance

CCEOs Present or Represented, County:	CCEOs Not Present or Represented, County
Steve Taylor, Bartow	Mitchell Bagley, Bartow
Alex Case, Dade	Nick Millwood, Catoosa
Ted Rumley, Dade	Keith Greene, Catoosa
Bill Simonds, Fannin	Harry Harvey, Chattooga
Donna Whitener, Fannin (proxy, Ted Rumley)	Jason Winters, Chattooga
Jamie Doss, Floyd (proxy, Wendy Davis)	Larry Maxey, Floyd
Al Hoyle, Gilmer	Pete Bridges, Haralson
Charlie Paris, Gilmer	Brittany Pittman, Murray
Becky Hood, Gordon (proxy, Norris Sexton)	Stephanie Burford, Polk
Jimmy Palmer, Gordon (proxy, Mike Babb)	Bebe Heiskell, Walker
Allen Poole, Haralson	Ken Gowin, Whitfield
Tyson Haynes, Murray	
Boyd Austin, Paulding (proxy, Ted Rumley)	
David Austin, Paulding	
Robert Jones, Pickens (proxy, Ted Rumley)	
John Weaver, Pickens	
Larry Odom, Polk	
Teddy Harris, Walker	
Mike Babb, Whitfield	

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. Consent Agenda. Bruce Bowman

Mr. Rumley informed those present that a Consent Agenda containing the Minutes from the November 18 meeting, Performance Report, Dislocation Report, and Regional Job Analysis had been mailed and was attached for review. Al Hoyle made the motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Allen Poole seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Summary of February Called Meeting.. . . . Gwen Dellinger

Gwen Dellinger reminded those present that, at the February 4, 2016 Called Meeting, the Board voted to approve the Relocation Policy. Upon review, staff felt additional clarification was needed. In the previous meeting Mike Babb asked if the maximum of \$1,250 was the total to be given to aid in relocation assistance. Ms. Dellinger replied that it was a maximum of \$1,250 for incidentals related to the move. Ms. Dellinger addressed the issue with the WDB and also wanted to clarify if it was the Council's intent to limit the Relocation reimbursement amount to

\$1,250 *total* rather than for incidentals, as was stated in the meeting. Ms. Dellinger also stated that there was not a limit under Trade Assistance but that if the Relocation assistance was treated as support, which the State has indicated may be the case, then the maximum would be \$3,000 unless a waiver was received. After discussion, Allen made the motion to restrict the maximum amount of assistance under the Relocation Policy to \$3,000, unless a waiver was received from the State, and to also approve the minutes from the February 4, 2016 meeting. Mike Babb seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

III. WDB Actions. Gwen Dellinger

Ms. Dellinger reported that the Aviation Institute of Maintenance, Duluth, GA submitted a proposal to be added as a vendor for our area for an Aviation Technician Program. This program, for a 78 credit hour certificate program, costs \$39,837 which does not include the fee to take the FAA exams. Georgia Northwestern Technical College offers this program which is available in certificate, diploma, and degree outcomes. Also the program as submitted only had a 63% completion rate. The WDB did not to approve this request. Mike Babb made the motion not to approve the request. Allen Poole seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dellinger presented the By-Laws (attached) and stated a correction had been made in the Conflict of Interest section where references to “Board Member” had been changed to “Committee Member.” The WDB approved this change and recommended CCEO approval. Charlie Paris made the motion that this change be approved. Alex Case seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dellinger then stated that a nomination (attached) was received from Paul Ray, Rehabilitation Manager, Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency, for Lisa Townsend, Certified Rehabilitation Counselor, Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency, to serve on the Youth Committee. The WDB approved this nomination. Tyson Haynes made the motion to approve the nomination. Mike Babb seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dellinger reported that the Georgia Department of Labor had requested additional adult and DW slots and funds for PY 2015-16 contract. They will surpass their original contracted totals for adult and DW for the year. Original Adult and DW slots contracted this year were 150. To date 146 slots have been filled. DOL also requested additional funding. Below are the requested amounts:

Contractor	Original Contracted slots Adult/Dislocated Worker	Requested additional slots Adult	Original contracted Total	Additional funds Requested	Additional Worksite Funds
Georgia DOL -OJT	150	25	\$385,325	\$70,000	\$300,728

The WDB approved an additional 25 slots and funds not to exceed \$70,000 be added to the contract as well as additional worksite funding not to exceed \$300,728 to be added to the overall program budget. Steve Taylor made the motion to accept. Bill Simonds seconded. Motion carried anonymously.

Ms. Dellinger presented the "Adult and Dislocated Worker Participant Eligibility for WIOA" (attached). She stated that changes were highlighted (pages one and two). Mike Babb made the motion to accept this change in policy. Bill Simonds seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dellinger reminded those present that Needs Related Payments had been made in the past to individuals who had exhausted their UI benefits but who were still in training. She stated that it was staff's recommendation to begin Needs Related Payments again to individuals who have exhausted UI, are enrolled in training, maintain a "C" average, and meet all other eligibility criteria. Allen Poole made the motion to accept this policy. Charlie Paris seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dellinger informed those present that changes had been made to the By-Laws incorporating the April, 2015 By-laws edition (approved in May, 2015) and changes made during the January, 2016 meeting. Tyson Haynes made the motion to approve these changes. David Austin seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dellinger provided a Fiscal Report dated February 29, 2016 (attached). She reported that Area 16, Heart of Georgia (Claxton area), was in need of dislocated worker funds and due to the decrease in layoffs in our area we have an excess of dislocated worker funds. The WDB approved transferring \$300,000 to Area 16 and recommended CCEO approval. Mike Babb made the motion to approve this transfer. Allen Poole seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dellinger then stated that the WDB had approved giving staff the flexibility to move funds from Dislocated Worker to Adult funding streams, not to exceed \$500,000 and recommended CCEO approval. Larry Odom made the motion to approve this recommendation. Alex Case seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Other

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.