

Council of Chief Elected Officials of Northwest Georgia

Thursday, January 19, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

Rome Civic Center
Rome, Georgia

Attendance

CCEOs Present or Represented, County:

Harry Harvey, Chattooga
Alex Case, Dade (proxy, Ted Rumley)
Ted Rumley, Dade
Jamie Hensley, Fannin (proxy, Ted Rumley)
Allison Watters, Floyd
Sundai Stevenson, Floyd
Charlie Paris, Gilmer
Bud Owens, Gordon
Jimmy Palmer, Gordon (proxy, Ted Rumley)
Ronnie Ridley, Haralson
AJ Scott, Haralson
Greg Hogan, Murray (proxy, Ted Rumley)
K. W. Gong, Murray
David Carmichael, Paulding (proxy, Ted Rumley)
Kris Stancil, Pickens
Andrew Carter, Polk (proxy, Ted Rumley)
Teddy Harris, Walker
Ken Gowin, Whitfield (proxy, Ted Rumley)
Shannon Whitfield, Walker

CCEOs Not Present or Represented, County

Al Pallone, Bartow*
Steve Taylor, Bartow
Larry Black, Catoosa
Nick Millwood, Catoosa
Blake Elsberry, Chattooga
Rhonda Haight, Fannin
Al Hoyle, Gilmer
James Kelly, Paulding
Steve Lawrence, Pickens
Hal Floyd, Polk
Jevin Jenson, Whitfield

Guests/Staff:

Boyd Austin
Lesia Lambert
Terri Morgan

**deceased*

I. Welcome Ted Rumley

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

II. Consent Agenda Ted Rumley

Mr. Rumley informed those present that a Consent Agenda (containing Minutes from the November 16, 2022 CCEO Meeting and a Performance Report) had been e-mailed and was also attached for review. Sundai Stevenson made the motion that the Consent Agenda be approved by the CCEO. Bud Owens seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Fiscal Report Lesia Lambert

Lesia Lambert presented the "Northwest Georgia Regional Commission WIOA Grant Financial Report, Grant Inception to 12/31/2022" (attached). This report encompasses the Adult, Dislocated Worker, COVID/Disaster, HDCL, and Youth programs. Alex Case made the motion to approve this report. Sundai Stevenson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Workforce Development Board Membership Lesia Lambert

Ms. Lambert informed those present that Cindy Rivers McGraw, Executive Director, Chattooga County Chamber of Commerce, nominated Andy Allen, Owner, Double A Timber Company, to serve on the Workforce Development Board. Harry Harvey noted that he knew Mr. Allen and that he would be an asset to the Board. Bud Owens made the motion to accept the nomination. Harry Harvey seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Ms. Lambert also noted that there was an additional vacancy on the Board in the "Business Representative" category and urged the CCEOs to contact staff with any suggestions.

V. Workforce Development Board Report Lesia Lambert

Ms. Lambert reported that the Workforce Development Board had met on Wednesday, January 18, 2023. David Dietrichs provided the Board with a program regarding the roles and responsibilities of the Workforce Development Board.

VI. COVID Update. Lesia Lambert

Ms. Lambert reported that 169 individuals have participated in Disaster Dislocated Worker Grant activities: 69 in temporary work experience and 100 in training. She also stated that the additional \$233,000 in funding had been received and was being utilized. The end date for this grant in March 32, 2023.

VII. Technical College System of Georgia Monitoring. Lesia Lambert

Ms. Lambert informed those present that the Technical College System of Georgia would be conducting yearly monitoring of our area during the week of February 13, 2023.

Other

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.