



Upstate Workforce Board Meeting Minutes
May 13, 2019 - 8:30 a.m.
Daniel Morgan Technology Center
Spartanburg

Board Members Present

Mr. Curtis Anderson
Mr. Wade Ballard
Mr. Jay Coffey
Mr. Jim Cook
Mr. Chuck Ewart
Mr. Wayne Gregory
Ms. Elizabeth Guzzo
Ms. Lisa Hannon
Mr. Craig Jacobs
Ms. Cherie Pressley
Ms. Jennie Thomas
Mr. David Wall

Board Members Absent

Mr. Shelley Blount
Mr. Bill Brasington
Mr. Robert Faucett
Mr. Carter Smith
Mr. Evander Thomas

Guests Present

Ms. Kathy Bell
Ms. Johnnie-Lynn Crosby
Ms. Helen Merriweather
Ms. Lynn Nodine
Ms. Mary Jo Schmick
Mr. Doug Stephenson
Mr. Ryan Tolley
Mr. Dan Ellzey
Mr. Mark Hendrick

UWB Staff Present

Ms. Ann Angermeier
Ms. Jan Batzer
Mr. Brent Bishop
Ms. Dana Wood

UWB Staff Absent

Ms. Nikoya Shaw

Welcome

Mr. Curtis Anderson, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Mr. Anderson introduced and welcomed the new Department of Employment Workforce (DEW) Executive Director, Mr. G. Daniel Ellzey. Mr. Ellzey introduced Mr. Mark Hendrick, Director of Governmental Affairs, and Ms. Mary Jo Schmick, Director of Workforce Programs at SC DEW.

Mr. Ellzey shared that he was a labor attorney prior to resigning to take the DEW position.

- Happy to be at the meeting; he plans to visit all offices.
- Interested in working with us and wants to partner with us.
- He is impressed with our low unemployment numbers.
- Looks forward to working with everyone.

Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the March 18, 2019 meeting will be reviewed and approved at the June 24 meeting.

Sector Partnerships Presentation

Ms. Johnnie Lynn Crosby, Regional Director of Business Solutions, informed the Board that the Sector Partnerships have been in progress for two and a half years. Industry is at the center of the Next Generation Partnership.

- The concept: Industry-led, community-supported partnerships that strengthen regional economies and connect people to jobs.
- The Partners: Next Generation Sector Partnerships are partnerships of businesses, from the same industry sector and in a shared labor market region, who work with education, workforce development, economic development and community organizations to address the workforce and other competitiveness needs of the targeted industry.
- The Process: <https://vimeo.com/316399062>
- Greater Upstate Manufacturing Sector Partnership Priorities: Build a talent pipeline through improved career awareness, address middle skill and technical skill gaps and state level policy and regulatory change.

One Stop Committee Report

Mr. Craig Jacobs, Committee Chair, provided an overview of the last One Stop Committee Meeting held on April 16, 2019. SC Works had a number of events in March. The Union Job Fair was well attended by employers and students. Greer Relief has a bilingual employee; social media is good as well as community engagement.

Executive Committee Report

Mr. Anderson presented a budget modification for the Upstate Workforce Board Office. The request consists of line item changes as per the distributed document. The modification comes in the form of a recommendation from the committee. ***Motion approved unanimously with no abstentions. A summary of the modification is below.***

Executive Director Update

Ms. Angermeier, UWB Executive Director, informed the Board that the Upstate Workforce Futures Corporation is trying to raise an additional \$4,000 for the Union County STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) program so that it can be a 4-week program instead of a 2-week program. The program includes manufacturing tours with the STEM donors. Some clothing is provided by the program for the tours. Union County does not have philanthropic opportunities like other larger counties. It is important to find ways to inform students of opportunities in manufacturing. Ms. Angermeier introduced Ms. Nikoya Shaw, Community Impact Director/Executive Assistant, stating that the position has been combined from two previous positions.

Ms. Angermeier and other cohort representatives will be in Savannah attending the MDC economic mobility convening during the week of May 20. It is time to break survival mode-how do we motivate to get people working? On May 14, RD Anderson will have a well-publicized signing day for graduating seniors to sign on (commit) to employment with local businesses.

The law requires the Regional and Local Plan Modifications be reviewed and updated every two years. In two separate motions, both the Regional and Local Plan Modifications were presented for vote. *Motions approved unanimously with no abstentions.*

Other Business

Mr. Anderson commented on the trip to Columbia for the SC Workforce Board Meeting that he and Mr. Evander Thomas attended. The Nominations Committee will meet prior to the next meeting and present their recommendations to the Board for approval via polling. He asked for recommendations from the Board and there were no recommendations.

Adjournment

With no other business or discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Next meeting: June 24, 2019 at VCOM, Third Floor Seminar Room

Jan Batzer

From: Curtis Anderson <cnanderson1984@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2019 8:13 AM
To: Jan Batzer
Subject: Re: 190513 Board Meeting Minutes as reviewed by Ann

The minutes are approved as written.

Curtis

On Mon, Jun 3, 2019 at 10:41 AM Jan Batzer <batzer@upstateworkforceboard.org> wrote:

Would you please review and let me know if changes need to be made?

Thank you,

Jan

Jan Batzer

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