

**CareerSource Northeast Florida
Executive Committee Meeting
Minutes – December 7, 2022**

Members in attendance:

L. Wayne McClain
Darryl Register
Clay Lyons
Kevin Doyle
Elaine Johnson

Excused/Absent:

Joe Pickens
John (Jake) Schickel

Staff: Bruce Ferguson, Rebecca Livingston, Cheryl Taylor, Jay Loy, Steven Dionisio, Melissa Terbrueggen, Ivette Berrios, Angie Pineiro

Welcome and call to order:

9:00 a.m. Chairman, Wayne McClain welcomed the Executive Committee members and called the meeting to order.

ACTION ITEMS

June 22, 2022, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes made by Kevin Doyle; seconded by Darryl Register; motion passed unanimously, and minutes approved.

Dislocated Worker Funds Transfer Authority:

- The Board reviewed the request to authorize the transfer of up to 95% of the Dislocated Workers Fund to the adult category where it is needed the most. Board approval is required by the state prior to any funds transfer more than 25% and approval from DEO. The funds can be transferred back, if needed.
- Motion to approve the authorization of funds transfer made by Clay Lyons; seconded by Kevin Doyle; motion passed unanimously and approved.

Operations Update:

- Employment statistics for October 2022 were reviewed. Job growth has increased by 4.8% since last year and the unemployment rate remains low across the region and state. Labor force participation rate remains low compared to pre-pandemic levels. There is still a large number of people that have not re-entered the workforce. Our career centers have seen a drop in traffic since October from 2,700 to almost 2,200. We did see an increase at our access points with approximately 100 job seekers, but other centers have seen a decline.
- There were a series of events for Apprenticeship Week in November which created a lot of interest and participation. The mayor proclaimed National Apprenticeship Week and St John's County did a proclamation as well.
- There was a Certificates of Value event held at FSCJ. This was requested by the Duval County Schools, so their counselors have a better understanding of what jobs and certificates are needed in our region. The counselors were also introduced to Earn Up.

Public Comment: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 a.m.