

First Coast Workforce Development, Inc. (dba CareerSource Northeast Florida) Full Board Meeting – October 19, 2023

| Board members in attendance: | |
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| L. Wayne McClain | Amy Rice |
| Kevin Doyle | Tim Hinson |
| Michael Templeton | Darryl Register |
| Diane Williams | Beth Payne |
| Elaine Johnson | |

<u>Board members excused/absent</u>: Angie White, Duane Ziller, Kirk Barras, Paul Cummins, Clay Lyons, Joe Pickens, Lucia Valdivia-Sanchez, John (Jake) Schickel

<u>Staff in attendance:</u> Bruce Ferguson, Rebecca Livingston, Angie Pineiro, Jay Loy, Ivette Berrios, Steve Dionisio, Joel Hickox, Mike Lashbrook, Cheryl Taylor

<u>Others in attendance</u>: Commissioner Harvey, Terry Suggs, Adrienne Johnston, Anna Lebesch, Ron Hetrick, Robert Peek

Welcome and call to order:

9:30 a.m. Kevin Doyle, Board Chair welcomed the CSNEFL Board of Directors and called the meeting to order.

Roll call:

Present/absent list above; Quorum was established according to the bylaws.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of July 27, 2023, CSNEFL Full Board Meeting Minutes:

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

Training Policy Update:

The Training Policy has been revised with an additional paragraph regarding usage of non-WIOA Formula funds. Such funds could be WIOA State Set-Aside funds, National Emergency grant funds, foundation funds, etc. We would suspend the ITA caps and other WIOA formula fund requirements when utilizing non-formula funds. The change was recommended by CareerSource Florida and Florida Commerce particularly as it relates to the Healthcare Training Initiative. Board reviewed the changes. Motion to approve the revised policy made by L. Wayne McClain; seconded by Elaine Johnson; motion passed unanimously, and policy approved.

PROGRAM

Jacksonville Port Authority (JAXPORT):

Robert Peek, the Chief Commercial Officer for the Jacksonville Port Authority (JAXPORT) gave a presentation with an overview of Jacksonville's port including 15 different seaports, the transportation and logistics ecosystem, and their partnerships. Mr. Peek also discussed the Jacksonville Harbor Depth project from 40 feet to 47 feet which was completed May 2022.

Talent Forum Special Guest Introductions:

Mark Wilson, President and CEO of Florida Chamber and Ron Hetrick, Vice President at Staffing & Senior Economist at Lightcast were introduced as guest speakers at the Talent Forum Northeast Florida.

Adrienne Johnston, President and CEO of CareerSource Florida, provided an overview of CareerSource Florida initiatives and priorities.

Operations Update:

August 2023 Employment statistics reviewed. Employment availability numbers for our region continue to look strong. We are seeing solid net job growth. Job seeker traffic is down a bit but still above last year's numbers. Job orders have cooled off a bit. These numbers are the job orders that we are working not the total number of jobs in our region.

Upcoming events -

- October is Manufacturing Month, and an Industry Specific Job Fair was held on October 10th. FSCJ provided tours of their manufacturing, automotive and construction programs.
- A Healthcare Hiring Event was held October 17th and included Mayo Clinic, UF Jacksonville Physicians, Inc, B&E Home Care, and Brooks Rehabilitation.
- The Fall Career Fair will be held November 2nd at the FSCJ Advanced Tech Center.
- November 13-19 is National Apprenticeship Week. Several webinars and workshops are scheduled that week.

Public Comment:

None.

Our next Board meeting will be held at the CareerSource NEFL Career Center (Southside) on January 25, 2024.

The meeting was adjourned by the Board Chair, Kevin Doyle at 10:45 a.m.