

MEETING MINUTES

CENTRAL VA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: June 28, 2023

Time: 3:00 PM

Meeting called to order by: Nat Marshall, Chair

IN ATTENDANCE:

Traci Blido, CVWDB; Lori Cumbo, CVWDB; Bobby Johnson, Youth Committee Chair; Ron Lovelace, Finance Committee Chair; Nat Marshall, CVWDB Chair; Sierra Phillips, CVWDB Vice Chair

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL (NAT MARSHALL):

The Chair determined a quorum was met and welcomed attendees, and started the meeting at 3:02 PM at the Central Virginia Planning District Commission office.

APPROVAL OF 6/12/23 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:

The motion was made by Sierra Phillips, and seconded by Bobby Johnson, to approve the 6/12/23 meeting minutes. The motion was unanimously approved.

ACTION ITEMS:

- a) Review & Approve LWDA VII's Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL) for WIOA Title I

Executive Committee Members reviewed the list of Eligible Training Provider Programs up for PY23 renewal and initial placement on the ETPL. CVWDB Staff gave an overview of the current policy, including performance percentages as defined in policy VWL 16-06, Change1, and past waivers which have expired.

After reviewing program performance reports from VCCS, members noted the lack of data which was available. Many program data elements were suppressed due to low program enrollments.

The committee determined that removing most of the programs from LWDA VII's ETPL would create an unfair disadvantage to our participants, causing them to travel outside of the area for training. Many participants have barriers to employment including transportation and childcare. These barriers would not only increase the cost of supportive services paid out to participants, but for many, make it impossible for them to attend occupational skills training. In addition, it would impact the area's ability to reach the 40% training expenditure requirement.

Based on comprehensive review and taking the aforementioned factors into consideration, the committee decided to approve the ETP Summary as presented. A motion was made by Ron Lovelace and seconded by Bobby Johnson. The programs were unanimously approved as presented.

Traci advised the committee that she and Lori will be in contact with providers to discuss these issues and strategize solutions.

Nat Marshall stated he will be attending the State Workforce Development Board meeting in Richmond on 6/29 and 6/30. He is concerned how the Draft ETPL Virginia Workforce Letter (VWL) will impact the performance of workforce boards across the state. Nat stated he would speak about the letter written by the Executive Directors voicing their concerns at the meeting.

b) Other Business/Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:32 PM.