RICHLAND-CRAWFORD WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING

Executive Committee Meeting Tuesday, September 15, 2020 11:30 A.M. Zoom meeting

Jenni Paramore
Beth Delaney
Gary Frankhouse
Tim Bowersocks
Carl Neutzling
Linda Hess – proxy for Dorey Diab
Lori Bedson
Angela Neef
Clint Knight
Jill Gantt

Steven Gause Ellen Soyka Megan Wagner-Ingram Tionna Perdue

Jenni called the meeting to order at 11:30.

Review of Minutes

Beth made a motion to approve the August 18th minutes, Carl seconded the motion. Motion passed by a voice vote.

Business Outreach Grant Reports

Tionna Perdue from NECIC reported on behalf of Deanna. Crystal Weece was hired as the recruiter/coordinator for NECIC. She will be responsible for the core outreach to and recruitment of minority businesses and African American male jobseekers. Beth asked for her background. She has worked at the Domestic Violence Shelter and Community Action Commission. She will be working closely with Edward also.

Steven from TPMA provided his update. He shared the survey that will be going out soon. He reviewed the survey and there were some suggestions for improvement. The strategy for sending out the survey. The spreadsheet will be sent out again to add any additional businesses. The Chamber will send the survey the first and maybe second time. TPMA will send it the third time. The survey will be open for 18 days. The focus groups will be October 8th for stakeholders, October 15th for employers, and October 22nd for African American men.

Gary joined the Zoom and provided his report. They had someone to hire for the outreach position, but they could not agree on the salary. They have identified someone

else to hire. They will be offering the position this afternoon. They have started advertising for Community Opportunities through iheart radio.

Clint shared that the Chamber will be posting their position soon hoping to hire by early October with their subgrant from NECIC.

Unlikely to Return Policy

Teresa provided an overview of the proposed changes to the Unlikely to return policy. Discharged military member whose duties do not transfer to civilian life was added. Applicant whose potential commute is in excess of an hour in each direction was added. The goal is to expand the definition so that more workers can be determined dislocated workers as there is additional dislocated worker funds to utilize. Tim made a motion to approve the changes. Carl seconded the motion. Motion passed by a voice vote.

Linda Hess discussed the Department of Labor Strengthening Community Colleges grant to address addiction education pathways. It is a consortium effort with Clark State and Marion Technical College. The Board will provide a letter of support.

Online job postings were reviewed. The number of postings in the medical field decreased the most due to elective surgeries being cancelled for months.

Meeting adjourned at 12:28.