

**Minutes of the Local Workforce Development Board #40
Special Call Meeting**

**Wednesday, July 2, 2024
10:00 AM
SoLAcc, 1101 Bertrand Dr., Ardoin Bld., Rm. 102
Lafayette, LA 70506**

I. Call to Order

The Local Workforce Development Board #40 Meeting was called to order at 10:09 AM by Tessa Brown, Chairperson.

Roll Call

Rita Patterson conducted the roll call. The attendance was as follows:

Present

Tessa Brown	James Trahan
April Porterfield	Taylor Richard
Michael Pritchard	Lauren Trahan
Crystal Romain	Chad Williams
Amy Thibodeaux	Ricardo Williams

Absent

Nathan Carbo	Dr. Bobbie Decuir
James Foster	Will LaBar
Aaron Loupe	Jason LeMaire
Stacey Perrodin	Kevin Richard
Mike Tarentino	Halli Kennerson
Jennifer Stelley	

Quorum: No

Guest in Attendance

Brenda Foulcard	AWS Staff	Kedrian Kunkel	Eckerd
Garrick Brown	AWS Staff	Germaine Simpson	SLCC
Rita Patterson	AWS Staff	Andre Perez	SLCC

2. Swearing In New Member

Hilda Wiltz, ACAP-LA Executive Director was sworn in as the newest Board Member for the LWD #40 Board of Directors.

Because there was not a quorum, it was decided that items on the agenda would be discussed and will be ratified at the next LWD #40 Board of Directors meeting.

Action Items

- 3.1 FY 23-24 Budget Revision** - Brenda Foulcard, Workforce Development Director
- Contract extensions have not been issued. All modifications are required to be retroactive to July 1, 2024, with ending date of September 30, 2024.
 - PY24/FY25 allotment will only decrease by \$30,000.
 - The changes in PY24/FY25 allocations are the youth allotment increased by \$86,000, adult allotment increased by \$25,000 and, and dislocated worker allotment decreased by \$142,000.
 - The RFP bidding process has ended and WIOA only received a bid from SoLAcc for the One-Stop Operator and Eckerd for the service delivery.
 - Spoke to an LWC's staff person and she is encouraging that the RFP be sent out for bid again because we only had two bids.
 - Received approval from the state for \$539,208.00 of the dislocated worker allocations to be transferred to adult.
 - Our current goal is engaging and increasing adult work experience. More focus will be placed on work-based learning.
 - AWS is actively seeking additional funds and has submitted two grants.
- 3.2 Youth Policy 2-4 Revision** – Garrick Brown, Operations Administrator
- Review of the Youth Policy 2-4
- 3.3 Respiratory Customized Agreement Extension** - The Customized Agreement between AWS, Ochsner and LSUE one-year term has expired, and the request is to finalize the renewal process for the remaining years.
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 - The Respiratory program is a learn -while-you- learn agreement. At the end of the learning period, Ochsner will hire the participant.
 - A board member requested that a copy of the customized agreement and the modification be included in the next Board packet for review.
 - AWS is currently in the process of a new customized agreement with Ochsner and SoLAcc to fast track the LPN to RN curriculum.

Youth Presentation – Ormani Dean and Caleb Ned
Youth Council Model

Public Comments

- There are no Public Comments

Next Meeting Date Announced

Upcoming Event/Updates/Reminders

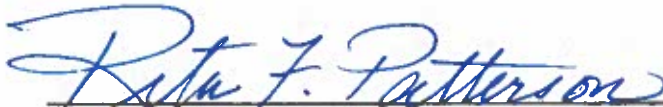
- Ethics/Sexual Harassment Training
- Personal Financial Disclosure – Must be done by May 15, 2024, or there will be a personal fine that will be charged.

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.



Ms. Tessa Brown, LWDB #40 Chairperson



Rita Patterson, LWDB #40 Recording Secretary