



**First Coast Workforce Development Consortium
Meeting on December 2, 2024**

Chair Larry Harvey called to order a teleconference meeting of the First Coast Workforce Development Consortium on Monday, December 2, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. The following members were present, representing a quorum.

Present: Larry Harvey – Putnam County
 Jim Renninger - Clay County
 Mark Hartley - Baker County
 A.M. “Hupp” Huppmann - Nassau County

Absent/Excused:

Staff present: Cheryl Taylor, Rebecca Livingston, Steven Dionisio, Ivette Berrios, Angie Pineiro

Public Comment: None

***Action Items**

***Approval of Minutes – August 20, 2024, FCWD Consortium Meeting**

Motion to approve the August 20, 2024, FCWD Consortium Meeting minutes made by Commissioner Huppmann and seconded by Commissioner Hartley. Motion unanimously carried and minutes approved as presented.

***Approval of the Bylaws**

In compliance with 20 CFR 679-310, Statewide and Local Governance of the Workforce Development System Under Title I of WIOA, the following sections of the bylaws have been updated:

- The proxy and alternative designee process;
- The use of technology to promote board member participation;
- Nomination process of the Board of Directors;
- Process to notify the President of a board member vacancy;
- The term limits for local board of directors and process to stagger term limits; and
- Process to ensure local board members actively participate in convening workforce development stakeholders.

Motion to approve the Bylaws made by Commissioner Renninger and seconded by Commissioner Hartley; motion unanimously carried and approved.

***State Performance**

- We met our state performance requirements and saw improvement in youth recruitment retainment. The performance review is posted on our website. We received an A- letter grade. We are meeting our performance outcomes and financial obligations. Our team continues to do a great job meeting the requirements set by the state.

***Operations Update**

- The October 2024 Employment Statistics were presented. The unemployment rate is up from September to 3.5 but still fairly low. We have seen an increase in job seekers in our centers.
- Job orders have decreased substantially in the last year. February to February 2,600 vs 696 job orders.
- On November 21st, the House reached a bipartisan agreement on the WIOA Bill. The agreement would maintain a 50% training mandate for Title 1 Adult and Dislocated Workers funding. We currently have a waiver in place at 40% for training mandate. Extensive discussion occurred.

Adjournment

The Chair moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m.