



SOUTHEASTERN ARIZONA

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Minutes

Omni Hotel & Resort
2727 Club Drive
Tucson, Arizona 85742

Zoom Online Virtual Meeting

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Meeting ID: 204 822 7879
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Wednesday, June 19, 2024
1:00 PM

Members Present

Ron Curtis
Matt Bolinger
Tony Boone
Kathleen Bullock
Joshua De Spain
Kevin Peck
Doris Tolbert
Rebekah Kimmel
Sam Curtis
Mary Merino
Elizabeth Kinder
Mary Ann Hockstad

Members Absent

Wick Lewis
Jacob Williams
Teresa Celestine
Martha Lujan
Steven Garate
Kim Henderson
Samuel Kolapo
Lance Baxter

Staff Present

Vada Phelps
Vickie Simmons
Eric Grisham
Michelle Huff
Lori Baron
Robert Archer
Ashley Hamilton
Bobbie Reed
Marina Morales

Guests Present

Jim Mize
Jordan Dodeward
MaryAnn Lawrence
Jill Curtis
Joey Richardson

A. Call to Order

The ARIZONA@WORK Local Workforce Board meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM on June 19, 2024.

B. Roll Call

Lori Baron conducted roll call. The names of present and absent members, as well as guests and staff are listed above. A quorum was established.

“If such a conflict does arise, I will declare that conflict before the board and refrain from discussing and voting on matters in which I have conflict.”

C. Call to the Public

No comments

D. Action Item: To Approve/Disapprove June 19, 2024 Agenda

Motion to Approve: Tony Boone

Seconded: Kathleen Bullock

Approved: Unanimously

E. Action Item: To Approve/Disapprove March 21, 2024 Minutes

Motion to Approve: Kevin Peck

Seconded: Rebekah Kimmel

Approved: Unanimously

F. Report on the 2024 NAWB Forum in D.C.

Ron Curtis, Kathleen Bullock and Vickie Simmons shared information they brought back from the NAWB Forum in Washington, D.C.

G. Committee Reports

Communications – Tony Boone

- This committee has not met since the last meeting.

Ambassador – Bobbie Reed

- The timing of the release of the program may not have been the most efficient.

Business Engagement – Mary Ann Hockstad

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H. Financial Report: Budget and Expenditures

The report is in the packet

I. One-Stop Operator Report

Jim Mize’s report is in the Packet.

J. Core Partner Reports

One-Stop Employment and Training Reports was presented by Vickie Simmons.

Vickie’s report is in the Board packet.

- She is very proud of our staff.

Rehabilitation Services report was presented by Elizabeth Kinder.

Elizabeth's report is in the Board packet.

- This has been a rough quarter.
- Staff changes have left a gap. We have a small but strong team.

Employment Services

Teresa Celestine's report is in the Board packet.

Adult Education report - Cochise

Lance Baxter's report for Cochise County is in the Board packet.

K. Executive Director's Report – Vada Phelps

- Question and Answers about the Board Meeting and Retreat.
- Introduced new board member Mary Merino who owns a business in Clifton.
- Jordan Dodeward from DES went through new client orientation.
- Introduced the Retreat facilitator Mary Ann Lawrence.
- Introduced guest Jill Curtis.

L. President's Report – Ron Curtis

- We will figure out what we can do together.
- AI is with us.
- Focus on individuals.

Board Announcements

Tony Boone gave a comprehensive report about Blackstar Re-Entry Aircraft coming to Sierra Vista. The company will create 50 new jobs. This will be a long process.

Next Board Meeting and Board Retreat

Thursday, September 19 @ 10:00 a.m.

Eastern Arizona College
615 North Stadium Avenue
Thatcher, Arizona 85552

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:04 p.m.

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Report Submitted by: *Lori Baron*