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## **GREEN RIVER WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

July 14, 2020

### **M-I-N-U-T-E-S**

The Executive Committee (Committee) of the Green River Workforce Development Board (Workforce Board) met on Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at 3:00 p.m., via Zoom. It was determined a quorum was present with the members as listed:

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Karen Cecil  
Mickey Dunbar  
Pam Cox

Rains Evans  
Kim Humphrey  
Tamara Clark

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

#### **GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT**

Honorable Al Mattingly, Daviess County Judge/Executive  
Jodi Rafferty, Associate Director for Workforce Development, GRADD  
Jill Gray, Workforce Development Administrator, GRADD  
Michelle Drake, Workforce Development Employer Liaison, GRADD

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Karen Cecil called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

II. APPROVAL OF MAY 11, 2020 MINUTES

Secretary Pam Cox presented the May 11, 2020 minutes for approval.

A motion was made by Kim Humphrey  
and seconded by Mickey Dunbar to approve  
the May 11, 2020 minutes of the Committee  
meeting. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

III. KENTUCKY EDUCATION & WORKFORCE CABINET UPDATE

Jodi Rafferty updated the Committee on the reorganization of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet. She stated that the Office of Unemployment Insurance and the Wagner Peyser program will now be administered by the Kentucky Labor Cabinet. Also, she stated that there had been no word on a replacement for Josh Benton who resigned his position as the Deputy Secretary.

IV. KENTUCKY CAREER CENTER

Chairperson Karen Cecil called on Jodi Rafferty to provide information regarding the closure and potential re-opening of the Kentucky Career Center (KCC). Ms. Rafferty informed the group that the KCC – Green River remained closed to the public, but that ResCare Workforce Services (RWS) staff were working in the office, along with one (1) staff member from the Career Development Office. Members of the Committee and Judge Al Mattingly voiced a concern regarding the number of individuals who continue to have issues with Unemployment Insurance (UI) claims and stated that due to this, there should be staff in the KCC to assist these individuals. Ms. Rafferty explained that even if the KCC was to be opened to the public, UI assistance would not be available on-site, that it would remain either by email or phone. Judge Al Mattingly inquired about Matt Bartlett being able to assist the UI claimants as he had done in the months of March, April, May and June 2020. Ms. Rafferty shared with the Committee that Mr. Bartlett had volunteered to help, but that he has other responsibilities as defined in the contract with RWS for the operations of the KCC and the provision of direct services. Ms. Rafferty was asked to speak with Mr. Bartlett and request that he devote twenty (20) hours per week assisting UI claimants.

V. STRATEGIC PLANNING

Chairperson Karen Cecil reminded the Committee about the upcoming Strategic Planning Retreat on September 1 and September 2, 2020 to be held virtually. She asked Jodi Rafferty to provide details. Ms. Rafferty stated the retreat would be held for two (2) days for ninety (90) minutes each day. She informed the Committee that additional information would be forthcoming.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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