



Atlanta Workforce Development Agency – 818 Pollard Boulevard, Atlanta, GA. 30315

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Minutes

February 17, 2010

PRESENT:

Joe Hindsley, John Gilman, Dr. Alvetta Thomas, Joyce McCloud, Tabatha Burks, James “Mac” Hunter, Alexis Scott, Carol Crowell, Charlie Flemming, Barney Simms, Geta Reid, Annie Matthews, Deborah Lum, Tammy Lipsey, Joanne Paschal, Alicia Porche-Turpeau, and Maria Cepeda.

ABSENT:

Herman Howard, Geri Thomas, David Smetana, Nancy Flake-Johnson, Blenda Deberry, Ralph Herrera, Cassandra Lee-Austin, Mike Romesburg, and Barbara Richards.

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order at 11:55 am by Chairman Joe Hindsley. A motion was made to approve the meeting agenda; the agenda was approved. A motion was made to approve the November 18, 2009 meeting minutes; the minutes were approved.

***CORRECTION:**

Committee Member Alexis Scott requested that the minutes from the previous meeting be corrected to reflect that she was in attendance at the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE

Alicia Porche-Turpeau presented the finance report to the board members. Ms. Porche-Turpeau reported that the Finance Committee was not able to meet during this past quarter. She presented the following report:

Balances for WIA funds from the Georgia Department of Labor, as of December 31, 2009:

Adult	\$1,039,339.18
Dislocated Worker	\$0
Youth	\$659,837.36

AWDA has until June 30, 2010 to expend these funds.

Balances for ARRA WIA funds (Stimulus) from the Georgia Department of Labor, as of December 31, 2009:

Adult	\$546,723.39
Dislocated Worker	\$676,799.33
Youth	\$218,425.33

AWDA also has until 2011 to expend these funds.

Overall, AWDA's balance of funds available as of the end of this quarter is **\$8,228,342.21**.

PERFORMANCE STANDARDS:

Dr. Alvetta Thomas presented the performance report to the board members. She was pleased to announce that AWDA's performance met or exceeded goals in all areas except Older Youth Credential Rate. Dr. Thomas noted that the Georgia Department of Labor has extended the opportunity for AWDA and other workforce areas statewide to monitor their performance over the next quarter to determine the need for renegotiating Program Year 2009 levels. If it is determined that AWDA's performance levels are showing decreases, a request will be submitted to GDOL for renegotiation of the targeted measures.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Deborah Lum presented Economic report to board members

Mayor's Cup

Deborah Lum informed the board that Mayor Reed would like for Mayor's Cup fundraising activity to continue. The Board discussed possible locations for the next Mayor's Cup Tournament. The locations discussed included returning to the Piedmont Driving Club, utilizing one of the City of Atlanta's Facilities, and other locations within proximity of the city. The board will look at local courses to determine which is the most cost effective and attractive to participants.

The board also discussed letters co-signed by Committee Chair Joe Hindsley and Former Mayor Shirley Franklin to corporations regarding funding for the Mayor's Youth Program. The funding will be used to further fund the program and replenish the reserve funds used from the Atlantic Station TAD used to cover commitment.

MAYOR'S YOUTH PROGRAM AND COUNCIL

JoAnne Paschal presented the reports and updates.

Mayor's Youth Program AY 2009-10 –STATS-10-28-09

Students receiving awards	637
Colleges, Universities & Technical schools	102
MYP Awards committed to date	<u>\$2,094,024.05</u>
TOTAL PAID to date	\$1,267,148.07

AWDA Proposed Mayor's Youth Programs list for the summer program is going to be taken to Department of Labor for approval for Program Year 2010-2011.

No new programs were added.

ONE STOP OPERATIONS

Deborah Lum referenced the One Stop Center's activity for the 4th quarter as follows:

One-Stop Programs/Initiatives Report

Program Initiatives Program lead

Mayor Youth Program	Jo Ann Paschal
Atlanta Housing Authority (AHA)	Thomasene Roberts
ACORA	Phinda Traore
VITA Center (Free Tax Prep)	Phinda Traore
New Beginnings	Thomasene Roberts
Performance – Common Measures	Tammy Lipsey
	Ruth Alvarez - Moon
Employment & Training	Linda Wunch
	Shirley Harris
	Tammy Lipsey
TAXI	Blanchard Cooke
	Eddie Chambliss
	Shirley Harris

One Stop Daily Visits

Core /Intensive Services Visits

a. AWDA – Orientation	3,282
b. AWDA Job Fairs	1,415
c. AWDA Youth	9,617
d. AWDA Resource Library	5,436
e. AWDA Intensive Services	6,711
f. AARP	34
g. Atlanta Housing Authority (AHA)	2,062
h. Atlanta Public Schools, GED	1,701
i. Georgia Department of Labor	687
j. Georgia Department of Vocational Rehabilitation	89
k. TAXI	186
l. Youth Build	377
Total	31,590
Outreach Services/Satellite Sites	4,216
(Orientations, GDOL, Career Expo, Community Meetings)	

NEW BUSINESS:

Priority of Services Policy Veterans and Spouses of Veterans

AWDA's Process for Prioritizing Veteran Services

Identifying and Informing Eligible Veterans and Spouses of Veterans

All veterans will be identified at the point of entry (Receptionist Desks) and referred to the designated Veteran's Specialist (Career Advisor) for assistance.

Discussion:

Committee Board member asked what supportive documentation was going to be needed to qualify veterans for priority services. Tammy Lipsey's response was A DD 214 (Discharge Papers and Veterans Separation Documents)

**Motion was seconded and approved by the Board.*

Males Age 26 and Older – Not Registered**Open for Discussion.**

Barney Simms questioned the language, "Preponderance of evidence" stating that the statement was insufficient and not clarified supporting documentation needed for enforcement.

Tammy Lipsey stated that the customer's signed attestation would be sufficient to meet the requirements of the policy. Barney Simms and James Hunter felt that the preponderance of evidence needs to be more specific on documentation needed.

**Item was tabled pending clarification.*

CLOSING REMARKS

Meeting Adjourned at 1:15 PM by Joe Hindsley