

## 10.3.24 Board Meeting | Q3

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Meeting Location: Brown Eagle 7808 Airline Hwy | Baton Rouge, LA 70805 |

Members Present:

NAME	ROLE
Brett Simon	Chair
Elizabeth Beckham	Vice Chair
Kenneth Champagne	Member
David Fahr	Member
Blaine Grimes	Member
Dawn Hall	Member
Christy Reeves	Member
Maydel Schnexdayr Chatelain	Member
Charlene Trusclair	Member
Brandy Tyson	Member
Russell Wilkes	Member
Chad Williams	Member

Members Absent:

NAME	ROLE
Judi Lefebvre	Member
Yvette Moody	Member
Nicholas Felton	Member
Amy Eberly	Member
Evon Roquemore	Member
Shanan Waters	Member
Andrew Fitzgerald	Member
Gayle Fisher	Member

Staff Present: Juanita Coverson (Eckerd Connects) | Girlie Anderson (EmployBR) | Barbara Dunn (EmployBR)

Guests: DC Jackson | Jayson Purdy (LED) | Toni Myer (SU) | Denise Tonic (LED)

*Quorum met*

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*Brett Simon, Chair, opened the meeting at 10:40 am.*

## WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS | COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

Brett Simon, Chair called the meeting to order at 10:40am. Brett informed the board members that Board Director Amanda Stanley was called to a family emergency and will not be in attendance.

**Approval of March 2024 Board Meeting Minutes** | *Tabled until next meeting; minutes not available*

**Policy Approvals** | Updated bylaws need to be approved based on monitoring feedback; board tabled until next meeting when Director will be present.

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT | Amanda Stanley | WIOA Chief Administrator | Board Director

**\*Director was not at meeting due to a family emergency.**

## PROGRAM REPORT | Girlie Anderson | Program Administrator

Girlie Anderson, gave an update on EmployBR programs and milestones achieved to include some performance metrics. Departmental challenges were shared to include staff shortages and how it affects productivity, workload distribution, response timelines, and recruitment challenges due to hiring rates. Mrs. Anderson briefly talked about long term hiring strategies to include results from EBR pay study and the use of available resources such as Work Experience participants. Mrs. Anderson plans to invite Metro Council to a future board meeting.

## ONE-STOP OPERATOR REPORT | Juanita Coverson | One-Stop Operator | Eckerd Connects |

Juanita Coverson addressed the board with updates to include her participation with the state-wide integration of services between DCFS and WIOA, this group with present to the governor to petition discretionary funds to merge the programs. EmployBR is working with Applied Business Concepts (ABC) to have desktop printers delivered for staff. Northdale Magnet Academy, an alternative school for middle age and high school wants to have a job fair for the students.

## Guest Speaker / Presentation

Jayson Purdy from LED updated the board and guests on current projects and expressed interest in working with the companies represented by the board.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

DC Jackson of the Center for Literacy and Learning commented that her business has a financial literacy conference where adult educators gathered yearly and wanted to know how they could be included to participate in workshops or conferences.

## ADJOURNMENT

*Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.*

## ACRONYMS LEGEND

<b>AFL-CIO</b> American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations	<b>LWDB</b> Local Workforce Development Board
<b>BRAC</b> Baton Rouge Area Chamber	<b>MOU</b> Memorandum of Understanding
<b>BRCC</b> Baton Rouge Community College	<b>MYWE</b> Mayor's Youth Work Experience
<b>DCFS</b> Department of Children and Family Services	<b>NDWG</b> National Dislocated Worker Grant
<b>DDWG</b> Disaster Dislocated Worker Grant	<b>OSO</b> One-Stop Operator
<b>DHDS</b> Department of Human Development and Services	<b>OSS</b> Office of Social Services
<b>DW</b> Dislocated Worker	<b>OSY</b> Out-of-School Youth
<b>EBRPSS</b> East Baton Rouge Parish School System	<b>PY</b> Program Year
<b>ETPL</b> Eligible Training Provider List	
<b>FY</b> Fiscal Year	
<b>IFA</b> Infrastructure Funding Agreement	
<b>ISY</b> In-School Youth	
<b>LRS</b> Louisiana Rehabilitation Services	
<b>LWC</b> Louisiana Workforce Commission	
<b>LWDA</b> Local Workforce Development Area	