

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE 10-COUNTY  
MIDDLE GEORGIA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AREA  
FEBRUARY 28, 2023**

**MINUTES**

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the 10-County Middle Georgia Workforce Development Area was held at 10:00AM, at the Middle Georgia Consortium, Inc. office, located at 124 Osigian Blvd., Suite A, in Warner Robins, Georgia. The following members were present:

<b>Meeting Attendance Record</b>			
<b>Name</b>	<b>County/City</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Commissioner Emily Davis	Baldwin	X	
Commissioner Dale Jump	Crawford	X	
Commissioner Dan Perdue/Timothy Andrews	Houston	X (Both Attended)	
Commissioner Chris Weidner	Jones	X	
Commissioner Greg Tapley	Monroe		X
Commissioner Martin Moseley	Peach	X	
Commissioner Jenna Mashburn	Pulaski	X	
Commissioner Bill Sharp	Putnam	X	
Commissioner Ken Fowler	Twiggs	X	
Commissioner Royce Brewer	Wilkinson		X
Mayor John Reid	Eatonton		X
Mayor Mary Parham-Copelan	Milledgeville	X	

**Guest in Attendance**

Steve Williams, Chairman of the Workforce Development Board  
Mayor Lester Miller, City of Macon-Bibb  
Laura Mathis, Middle Georgia Regional Commission  
Tiffany Andrews, Middle Georgia Regional Commission

Chairman Chris Weidner chaired and called the meeting to order at 10:02AM. A quorum was present.

**AGENDA**

A motion was made by Commissioner Dan Perdue and seconded by Commissioner Martin Moseley to approve the February 28, 2023; agenda as written. There were no opposing votes and the motion carried by voice vote.

**MINUTES**

- Approval of the December 13, 2022, Minutes of the Executive Committee of the 10-County Middle Georgia Workforce Development Area and the February 9, 2023, Joint Work Session.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jenna Mashburn and seconded by Commissioner Emily Davis to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2022, of the Executive Committee of the 10-County Middle Georgia Workforce Development Area and the February 9, 2023, Joint Middle Georgia and Macon-Bibb Work Session meetings as written. There were no opposing votes and the motion carried by voice vote.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was none.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. *Approval to Submit DW Quest Grant Application (\$700,000)* – Darrell Stillings reminded everyone that at the December 13, 2022 meeting it was announced that an opportunity to apply for the Dislocated Worker Quest grant would be coming available. The grant is designed to continue the NEG grant to serve workers who were laid-off due to COVID-19. The application was submitted for \$700,000 in additional Dislocated Worker funds and was submitted by the deadline. There has been no word received to date on its approval by the State. Approval was requested for Chairman Weidner to sign for the grant if approved.

A motion was made by Commissioner Emily Davis and seconded by Commissioner Jenna Mashburn to approve the grant if awarded. There were no opposing votes and the motion carried by voice vote.

2. *Notification of Transfer of \$300,000 from DLW to Adult Funds* -- Darrell Stillings reminded everyone that when this year's Office Budget was approved, a transfer authorization was also approved to allow transfers between the dislocated worker grant and the adult grant as needed. He notified the members that a transfer request was submitted to the State to transfer \$300,000 from the regular dislocated worker grant to the adult grant. He pointed out that with the additional funds from the DW Quest grant there will be adequate funds to serve dislocated workers and by transferring the regular dislocated worker funds it will provide an opportunity to serve more adults.
3. *WDB Attendance Report for February 21, 2023* – Darrell Stillings provided copies of and discussed the attendance report for the last Workforce Development Board meeting held on February 21, 2023. He pointed out that no member has missed three consecutive meetings and no action is required at this time.
4. *Approval to Merge Macon-Bibb WS Area to Middle Georgia WS Area* – Darrell Stillings explained that as discussed in the previous meeting, approval of the merger will mean that Macon-Bibb will be joining as a county with a one-member, one-vote membership effective July 1, 2023. Approval of the merger will also allow Macon-Bibb and Middle Georgia Joint Executive Committee meetings prior to the merger effective date for the purpose of taking action on items needed for the merger and the newly combined workforce area.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dan Perdue and seconded by Commissioner Martin Moseley to approve the merger as presented. There were no opposing votes and the motion carried by voice vote.

## **MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR**

There were none.

## **MATTERS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

1. *Next Meeting* –The next meeting is scheduled for April 25, 2023, at 10AM, and Commissioner Emily Davis volunteered to host the meeting in Baldwin County.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There was no further business and a motion was made by Commissioner Martin Moseley and seconded by Commissioner Ken Fowler to adjourn at 10:07AM. There were no opposing votes and the motion carried by voice vote.