

Quarterly Board Meeting Minutes
8:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 23, 2023

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting called to order at 8:43 a.m. by the Board Chair, Mr. Joseph Lovetere
QUORUM PRESENT

2. **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Suzanne Fernandes–*Past Chair*, Joseph Lovetere–*Chair*, Karen Preval –*Treasurer*, Bob Revil, and Nancy A. Chiappini
Not Present: **Paula Martel–Vice Chair***, **Mary Waldron–Clerk***, **Linda Sacchetti***, Thomas Thibeault, Joseph Mitchell, Sasha Stadhard, **Paul W. Landerholm***, **Dan Evans***, Dr. Carine Sauvignon, Michael P. Thomas (Dr. Elvio Ferriera, Director Career & Technical Education 6-12), Donald Donnaldson, and Jonathan Carlson, New Board Member: Maria Fernandes, Jill Conlon, Karen Preval

***Bold** = excused absence

Ex-officio: John Murray of MassHire Greater Brockton Career Center

Staff: Jason Hunter, David Vincent, John Nesti, Lorraine Albert, Michael Joseph, and Rachel Cherry-Adams

Guests: Jay DeGrace, Constituent Services Liaison on behalf of Mayor Robert F. Sullivan
Dr. Johan E. Uvin, UMass-Donahue Institute
Yolanda Lynn, OA/CTS Director -Job Corps Center Grafton
Tayla Costa, Admissions Counselor - Job Corps Center Grafton
Julio Nhaga, Manager CVamazingcleaners- **Testimonial**

1. **WELCOMING & OPENING REMARKS** Chair, Mr. Joseph Lovetere welcomed the Board & guests with introductions around the table.
- **New Board Member:** Maria Fernandes, Jill Conlon, and Karen Preval
2. **MINUTES - VOTE:** A motion made (Ms. Suzanne Fernandes)) and seconded (Mr. Thomas Thibeault) to approve September 22, 2023, Annual Full Board meeting minutes. The **September 22, 2022, Annual Full Board meeting minutes approved by the board members.**

FISCAL YEAR FY23

- **MASSHIREGBWB UPDATE – Mr. John Murray**
 - Mr. Murray indicated that the fiscal goals are on track,
 - Spent all DW funds – all gone.
 - One-Stop – using these \$\$\$\$ training.
 - \$50,000 left in Adult Training – foresee spending up by year end 2023.
 - Process of filling staff gaps.
 - 2 new staff starting next week. – adult & RESEA.
 - ??? SSJ??? Demand (to John Murray) for training for customers for CDA A & B
 - Fraud UI claims – saw something per Mr. Joe Lovetere
- **MASSHIREGBWB UPDATE – Ms. Michele Ahern**
 - The overall expenditures for MassHireGBWB are 50%.
 - Meeting regularly to get ahead of \$\$\$\$ - for training and conferences.
 - Youth – do more ITA training; been successful.
 - Meeting and assessing with Youth Department.
 - Carry-in end of December 2022 – spent.
 - Monitoring by DCS April 24, 2023.
 - Year-Round grant – CommCorp will be monitoring next month.
 - Auditor, Anstiss – completed, no findings.

3. **CAREER CENTER BUSINESS COMMITTEE/**

- **MASSHIREGBCC EXECUTIVE SUMMARY 3-23-2023 —John Murray**
REPORT THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2023 – 67% THROUGH THE FISCAL YEAR
 - Total Job Seekers Served = FY23 YTD 4037.
 - Dislocated Workers Enrolled – 81% of goal.
 - Adult Enter Employments –125; 51% of yearly goal.
 - Adult Wages – ahead of goal; \$24.11 (148%); and Dislocated Worker Wages – ahead of goal; \$25.56 (128%). The MassHireGBCC is working with MassHireGBWB with the CDL program.
 - Dislocated Workers Employments – 36; 51% of yearly goal.
 - Mr. Murray gave two (2) Success Stories of people facing hard obstacles in hiring issues but ultimately finding work against all odds – one: Domestic program/gets CDL license in a tough situation [referral from DTA]; and two: customer lost job, pregnant and ultimately obtaining employment despite a tough situation. Mr. Murray also talked about the different issues of customers coming the MassHireGBCC doors.
 - Adult Training-- 12; 63% of yearly goal.
 - Dislocated Worker Training – 22; 116% of yearly goal.

- **TRAINING INITIATIVES –Mr. Jason Hunter**
 - MassHireGBWB Update
 - ❖ CDL – 32 seats: 20/A and 12/B
 - ❖ CNA– MassHireGBWB Healthcare Lab location – 150 seats (40, Brockton). Another CNA session on May 15, 2023, 10 sets
 - ❖ CAM – Incumbent Training, June 27, 2023
 - ❖ Apprenticeships: 5 students @ Massasoit Community College; COA certification
 - ❖ Training Initiative – Healthcare Hub, CAM
 - ❖ Diesel Tech – 24 seats 9 months @ MCC Emission Alt Fuels and Emissions
4. **YOUTH SERVICES** – Messrs. David Vincent and Michael Joseph
- **Program Highlights**
 - FY23 UPDATE GOALS – TOTAL ENROLLMENT
 - ✚ ENROLLMENTS WIOA: 76 Youth
 - ✚ YouthWorks (CommCorp): 317 Youth
 - ✚ Shannon (City of Brockton Police Department): 25 Youth
 - ✚ Connecting Activities:
 - Students in internships: 300 Students
 - Students in Paid Placements: 75 Students
 - Employers: 100
 - **3RD QUARTER YTD**
 - ✚ WIOA YTD: 60%
 - ✚ YouthWorks YTD: 69%
 - ✚ Shannon YTD: 72%
 - ✚ Connecting Activities:
 - Students in internships YTD: 63%
 - Students in Paid Placements YTD: 61%
 - Employers YTD: 46%
 - **SUMMER JOBS FY24 – Mr. David Vincent**
 - ✚ **Pitch to the Board Members: Are you looking for Interns? – Scan QR Code.**
 - **PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS – Mr. Michael Joseph**
 - WIOA ITA & GROUP TRAINING
 - YOUTHWORKS PROGRAMS: Media Moguls, Banking Teller, Business & Commercial Lending, A Plus Program (Pilot) with New Heights Charter School of Brockton.
 - **YOUNG ADULT INITIATIVES COMMITTEE – Mr. Michael Joseph**
 - ✚ Mr. Joseph made mention of the YAIC meetings thus far for this fiscal year with Board member, Ms. **Mary Waldron as the Chairperson.**
 - **Connecting Activities (CA) – Mr. David Edwards**
 - ✚ **STEM Fair – March 22, 2023**
 - 13 schools participated.
 - Over 200 students at Bridgewater State University that day.
 - Highlight: Neuromaker; Video posted on MassHireGBWB Social Media pages.
 - ✚ **Career Day – April 13 @ Teen Challenge**
 - ✚ **Mr. John Nesti gave a cap of last year/Construction Career Day – May 5th @ Massasoit Community College [2nd year]**
 - ✚ CA Career Day – March 2023
 - Mr. Julio Nhaga – talked about his life successes as result being a part the MassHireGBWB Youth Programming.
5. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT-** Mr. Jason Hunter
- Mr. Hunter gave a brief overall Highlights of the following:
 - CDL Press Release
 - NEW – Conflict of Interest Training
 - Apprenticeship Program– registered program (Head Start) -- MassHireGBWB in collaboration with Self-Help, Inc. and the UMDI/MassHireGBCC
 - MassHireGBWB Bus – out for repairs
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6. **CHAIR’S CLOSING REMARKS & ANNOUNCEMENTS** -- Closing by Board Chair, Mr. Joseph Lovetere
- Media Mogul Youth Program – A “thinking outside the box” idea coming to life.
 - Adult & Youth/ Banking Teller Training --Board members, Mr. Joe Mitchell and Ms. Suzanne Fernandes bringing their expertise to this program.
7. **ARTICLES OF INTEREST-** Mr. Jason Hunter
- CDL Press Release
 - FY22 MassHire Report
8. **ADJOURNMENT** – A motion made and seconded to adjourn at 9:55 a.m.

NEXT MEETING: JUNE 22, 2023