

Peninsula Council for Workforce Development and  
Greater Peninsula Workforce Development Board of Directors  
June 22, 2017

Present:

Hon. Tina Vick	Everett Jordan	Dale Stone
Hon. Benny Zhang	Whitney Lester	Barbara Watson
Dr. Rex Evans	Dr. John Olson	Dr. Deborah Wright
Hon. Buddy Green	Josie Pearson	Rhonda Bunn
Kasia Grzelkowski	Karen Riordan	Donna Crittenden-Barton
Steve Hagwood	Lindsey Saylor	Gerald Dix
Angela Harris	Jim Spore	Jerry Goddard
Hon. James Gray	Amanda Ivey	Joseph Johnson
Stephen Lynch	Dr. Robin Nelhuebel	Sheri Newcomb
Mark Stefanick	Jason Thorton	

PCFWD Staff: Matthew James (by phone), Bill Mann, Gary Butler, Lisa Zahralddin, Terri Partain, Rita Bond, Carolyn Tarrant, Jeanne Smith

I. Call to Order and Welcome

Dr. John Olson called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and welcomed everyone to the quarterly Board of Directors and Membership meeting. The meeting was held in the Ferguson Ampitheater Training Room.

II. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the March 23, 2017 minutes was made by Everett Jordan; it was seconded by Dale Stone and unanimously approved.

III. Council Report/Budget Overview

Matthew James (by phone) discussed the following issues:

- State of the Workforce
- Youth Career Expo
- Professional Development

He also briefly discussed the Private/Public Partnership Division budget for the fiscal year 2017/2018 stating that we have a positive cash flow carry-over. He also discussed the staff reduction at the Youth Career Café and that the program is being repositioned. Bill Mann mentioned that they thought the reduction in the federal allocation would be around 7% but were pleasantly surprised that the reduction was only a 2% cut. This is a preliminary budget and will be finalized in October.

A motion was made by Mark Stefanick to approve the preliminary budget; it was seconded by Buddy Green and unanimously approved.

IV. Consortium Approval for Greater Peninsula Workforce Development Board members

Members of the Consortium were given a list of Board members and asked to vote to recertify members of the Board. A motion for approval of recertifying members of the Board was made by Buddy Green; it was seconded by Benny Zhang and unanimously approved.

V. Presentation

Matthew James introduced Jim Spore who is with Reinvest Hampton Roads. He gave a presentation on Go Virginia. Go Virginia was initiated by Virginia's senior business leaders to foster private-sector growth and job creation through state incentives for regional collaboration by business, education, and government. He discussed why Go Virginia is needed and their mission. He also discussed the following items:

- Comparative Job Growth
- Job Creation Model
- Regional Council
- Region's Initiative
  - Economic Growth and Diversification Plan
  - Port and Maritime Economic Development Strategy
  - Workforce Gap Analysis
  - Entrepreneur in-residence Program
  - Regional Economic Development Site Inventory
  - Acceleration Pathway Project
  - Cluster Scale-up Initiative

At the end of the presentation, Jim Spore took questions from the Board.

VI. Adjournment of Board of Directors and Membership Meeting

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

