

**Chief Elected Officials
(Hybrid) Meeting Minutes
June 26, 2023**

The Chief Elected Officials meeting was called to order at 6:57 p.m. by Chairman James Duffy. Roll Call was taken.

Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
James Duffy	X		Michael McEmery		X
Chris Flikkema	X		Kerwin Paris		
Keane Hudson	X		Wayne Reising	X	
Steven Malavolti	X		LaDon Trost		X

PROXY: Kerwin Paris to Wayne Reising

OTHERS PRESENT: Carrie Folken, Jo Ann Johnson

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Chris Flikkema motioned to approve the April 24, 2023 Meeting Minutes. Motion was seconded by Keane Hudson. Roll Call vote was taken.

Name	Yes	No	Name	Yes	No
James Duffy	X		Michael McEmery		
Chris Flikkema	X		Kerwin Paris	X	
Keane Hudson	X		Wayne Reising	X	
Steven Malavolti	X		LaDon Trost		

Motion carried.

Chris Flikkema motioned to approve the May 8, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes. Motion was seconded by Wayne Reising. Roll Call vote was taken.

Name	Yes	No	Name	Yes	No
James Duffy	X		Michael McEmery		
Chris Flikkema	X		Kerwin Paris	X	
Keane Hudson	X		Wayne Reising	X	
Steven Malavolti	X		LaDon Trost		

Motion carried.

Business Meeting

NCI Works Membership Update / Appointment

Carrie informed members that Dr. Jerry Corcoran resigned from NCI Works as he retired as President of IL Valley Community College. Dr. Tracy Morris, the incoming President, has been nominated to NCI Works. Carrie noted that the Tracy would be assuming responsibilities on July 1, 2023. Keane Hudson motioned to appoint Dr. Tracy Morris to the NCI Works Board effective July 1, 2023. Motion was seconded by Wayne Reising. Roll Call vote was taken.

Name	Yes	No	Name	Yes	No
James Duffy	X		Michael McEmery		
Chris Flikkema	X		Kerwin Paris	X	
Keane Hudson	X		Wayne Reising	X	
Steven Malavolti	X		LaDon Trost		

Motion carried.

Apprenticeship Expansion Grant

Carrie informed members that a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) was released for an Apprenticeship Expansion Grant. She told members that she submitted an intent to apply for funds in the amount of \$175,000. She told members that a large amount of this funding would go to working with Jo Carroll Energy and Wolfline Construction to stand up 2 apprenticeship programs for broadband technicians. This will also allow, Carrie said, for the purchase of 2 virtual reality goggles and the development of 10 career exploration experiences for the 2 career centers (CTE Academy and WACC) to create a career pathway into the apprenticeship programs. Of the \$175,000, Carrie said that \$70,000 of it is budgeted for staff costs to help this program started. Carrie said that we can start using the funding in July although we have not received confirmation that the intent to apply for funds has been received. Carrie pointed out that Dianna Schuler has been working with Jo Carroll Energy for some time on this project and feels that it will be a good fit. Chris Flikkema motioned to authorize Carrie to proceed with the grant application if intent is accepted by DCEO. Motion was seconded by Wayne Reising. Roll Call vote was taken.

Name	Yes	No	Name	Yes	No
James Duffy	X		Michael McEmery		
Chris Flikkema	X		Kerwin Paris	X	
Keane Hudson	X		Wayne Reising	X	
Steven Malavolti	X		LaDon Trost		

Motion carried.

Request authorization to apply for a 1E Grant for St. Margaret's Health / IL Valley Community Hospital (IVCH) influx of customers (if needed)

Carrie informed members that staff have seen an influx in customers that were recently laid off by St. Margaret's Health / IL Valley Community Hospital (IVCH) and requested permission to apply for a 1E Grant if it is needed. She said that if the funds are needed to help with this affected individuals, it will give us flexibility in eligibility and providing services to them. Steve Malavolti motioned to authorize Carrie to apply for a 1E Grant for St. Margaret's Health / IL Valley Community Hospital customers if needed. Motion was seconded by Chris Flikkema. Roll Call vote was taken.

Name	Yes	No	Name	Yes	No
James Duffy	X		Michael McEmery		
Chris Flikkema	X		Kerwin Paris	X	
Keane Hudson	X		Wayne Reising	X	
Steven Malavolti	X		LaDon Trost		

Motion carried.

Request approval for any grant modifications (if necessary)

Carrie said that she did not have any additional requests for grant modifications.

Other Business

Carrie requested to visit each of the County Boards in either August or September to give an update on the BEST program and successes. Carrie said that Jo Ann would be making contact with each County Board to arrange for the visits.

Jim noted that the next meeting of the CEOs will be on Monday, August 28, 2023 following the BEST Board of Director's meeting.

Public Comments


None

Adjournment

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until August 28, 2023. Meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Jo Ann Johnson

Approved by:

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Wayne Reising
Secretary