

MINUTES – MEETING OF THE
CAREER EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

March 8, 2016
1:00 p.m.

The Career Education and Workforce Development Board was called to order by Chairman Michael Garner. The meeting was held at the Arkansas Rehabilitation Services, 525 W. Capitol Avenue, Little Rock, Arkansas.

A record of member attendance is as follows:

PRESENT

Mr. Michael Garner, Chair
Mr. Hugh McDonald, Vice Chair
Mr. Jeff Standridge
Mr. Troy Keeping
Mrs. Jenifer Price
Mrs. Stacy Gunderman
Dr. Keith Vire
Dr. Jerry Cash

Ex-Officio Nonvoting Members

Dr. Charisse Childers, Ex-Officio Secretary
Mr. Arnell Willis, Sr. (Mr. Daryl Bassett)
Dr. Edward Serna (Dr. Paul Beran)
Dr. Richard Abernathy

ABSENT

Mr. Scott Copas
Mrs. Gina Radke
Dr. Adam Arroyos
Mr. Burton Weis

Ex-Officio Nonvoting Members

Mr. Johnny Key
Mr. Mike Preston
Dr. Brett Powell

Mr. Michael Garner, Chair, introduced Dr. Jerry Cash as the new board member who replaced Mr. Dan Serrano.

Mr. Garner stated that he would like to congratulate and recognize one of our own board members, Dr. Keith Vire, who was recently nominated as Executive of the Year for Non-Profit Organizations.

Mr. Garner informed the board members that he along with Dr. Childers, Kathi Turner, and Hugh McDonald attended the unveiling of the Be Pro Be Proud Campaign, an initiative that the Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce has launched, and encouraged members to check out the website beprobeproud.org.

ACTION ITEM 1 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 9, 2016

On a motion by Mr. Keeping and second by Dr. Vire, the Career Education and Workforce Development Board unanimously approved the minutes of February 9, 2016.

ACTION ITEM 2 – APPOINTMENT OF NEW MEMBER TO STATE ELECTRICAL APPRENTICESHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. Randy Prather, Program Manager, Apprenticeship and Construction Education, recommended that Mr. Curtis Kirksey be appointed to the Congressional District 1 position vacated by Mr. Steve Morgan.

On a motion by Dr. Vire and second by Mr. Standridge, the Career Education and Workforce Development Board unanimously approved Mr. Curtis Kirksey to the State Electrical Apprenticeship Committee.

ACTION ITEM 3 – APPOINTMENT OF NEW MEMBER TO STATE PLUMBING APPRENTICESHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. Randy Prather, Program Manager, Apprenticeship and Construction Education, recommended that Mr. Clint Morris be appointed to the Congressional District 3 position vacated by Mr. Kevin Linton.

On a motion by Mr. McDonald and second by Mrs. Gunderman, the Career Education and Workforce Development Board unanimously approved Mr. Clint Morris to the State Plumbing Apprenticeship Committee.

INFORMATION ITEM 4 – UPDATE ON ACE COMMUNICATIONS ACTIVITIES

Mrs. Kathy Edgerton, Director, Communications, provided the board members with an update on the interim website, the RFP for the new website and JobReadyArkansas.com, as well as other activities.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Charisse Childers briefed the board on activities within the agency. The complete report will be sent to the board and will be available on the ACE website.

Dr. Childers provided the board members a tentative agenda for the Strategic Planning meeting, Skills USA, ACTI tour and the board meeting on April 11 – 12, 2016.

Mr. Garner asked that the materials for the Strategic Planning meeting be sent a week before the meeting date.

Mr. Garner asked that a Committee Report item be added to the agenda.

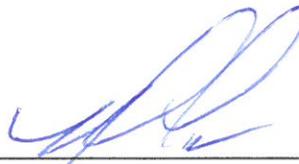
ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Michael Garner, Chair, stated that the next meeting would be April 12, 2016.

Mr. Garner adjourned the meeting at 2:01 p.m.



Dr. Charisse Childers, Ex-Officio Secretary
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Michael Garner, Chairman
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