



## **Goodwill Workforce Enterprises – The Excel Center of West Central Indiana Board Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** September 24, 2024

**Time:** 9:00am- 9:44am

**Location:** Goodwill HQ Conference Room -2702 S 3<sup>rd</sup> St, Terre Haute In 47802

**Attendees:** Kristin Craig, Board Chair Person; Ryan Keller, Treasurer; Mary Halsted, Board Member; Rene Hankins, Board Member; Meredith Osburn, President & CEO; John Lukens, Board Member

**Absent:** Betsy Peperak, Secretary

Staff in attendance: Carl Conwell, Michele Nall, Bobbi Gray, Dan Davis, Darin May, Lisa Walker

### **1. Call to Order & Open for Public Comments**

The meeting was called to order by Kristin Craig at 9:00am. No public was in attendance. With comments remaining open throughout the meeting in case someone joined late.

### **2. Approval of Previous Minutes**

The minutes from the previous meeting on June 11, 2024, were reviewed.

**Motion:** Mary Halsted moved to approve the minutes.

**Second:** Rene Hankins

**Vote:** Approved

### **3. Financial Report**

Presented by Meredith Osburn

- Overview of financial status- Packets of 1<sup>st</sup> Profit & Loss statement Balance sheet for July 1-June 30 (Fiscal Year)
- Opening a 2-million-dollar line of credit with 1<sup>st</sup> Financial for build out with an interest rate of 6.08%
- Garmong is requesting 1<sup>st</sup> payment of \$66,000 at 5% completion.
- Using Viribus Account for collateral for LOC with 1<sup>st</sup> Financial for 1million, Viribus is 3 million and we are working with John Shirley at 1<sup>st</sup> Financial. Motion to approve LOC by John Lukens, second by Nina Storey.
- The charter school grant was approved but is not budgeted for build out.
- Redi2.0 funds when/if available can only be used for capital improvements.
- Motion to approve line of credit terms motioned by Ryan Keller, and seconded by John Luken, all board members were in favor
- Bobbi Gray was introduced as the new Executive Administrative Assistant for Meredith Osburn.
- Annual Disclaimers- Form was filled out by all board members, with the exception of Nina Storey. To be completed as mandatory for board members- Need all by 9/27/24

Friday. Background checks must be completed annually for all board members.  
September.

#### **4. Director Report**

- **ELL classes will be starting at the Excel Center on October 1, with 18 learners enrolled.**
- **Current enrollment is sitting around 128, including the 18 ELL learners.**
- **CCR has been visiting Hispanic churches, to recruit more ELL Learners.**
- **The Excel Center is just starting to take minors and is exploring the process with local schools. It will count as a transfer rather than a**

#### **5. Other Business**

- **Ryan Keller revealed that Thrive will be providing transportation from areas like Clay Co, Parke Co and currently in talks with Vermillion Co beginning Jan 2025.**
- **Ryan Keller also discussed the controversy with the losses in the voucher programs in regards to schools, Ryan Keller further stated that the potential losses could have occurred, but actual figures do not support this. IN Coalition of Public Education is providing misinformation.**  
<https://indianacoalitionforpubliced.org/2023/03/15/five-years-of-vouchers-mapped-by-district/>

#### **6. Facility Report**

- **Dan Davis reports that the buildout is progressing as planned with the current completion date being in December or January. However, the Excel Center will not make the official move until February 2025.**
- **NRK has been in for all electrical items, while plumbing is being worked. We are working through HVAC issues and the gas line is to be tied into the meadows main line.**

#### **7. Other Business**

- **The strategic plan is being updated and will be ready Jan 1, 2025- A consultant along with the leadership council and the exec team discussed and created the new plan- Consultant and exec team further discussed and presented to WVG board. Plan is in Excel board packet for their review. Finalization will occur at the December WVG board meeting.**
- **Programs & Services were distributed to all board members and were discussed.**

#### **8. Adjournment**

Last Call for public comment- the meeting was adjourned at 9:44am