MINUTES ARKANSAS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD Executive Committee

June 25, 2019

A teleconference meeting of the Arkansas Workforce Development Board (AWDB) Executive Committee was conducted on June 25, 2019 at 1:30 pm. Accommodations were set up for an in-person attendance at the Little Rock Workforce Center, 5401 South University Avenue in Little Rock, Arkansas. Chairman Tom Anderson presided with the following members confirming attendance through roll call: Ms. Karen Breashears, Mr. Scott Bull, and Mr. Alan Hughes. Board member Dr. Cassondra Williams-Stokes was also in attendance.

Mr. Jeff Griffin, Ms. Melissa Hanesworth, and Paul Riviera were unable to attend.

Recognizing the presence of a quorum, Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

Agenda Item 1 – Approval of the WIOA State Plan Revisions: Board member Dr. Cassondra Williams-Stokes proceeded to explain the reason that the WIOA State Plan revision was necessary. She mentioned that each WIOA Partners had been in contact with their respective Federal Liaisons to ensure that all of the necessary revisions were covered. She added that uniformity across WIOA partners was very important on the federal level. She explained that the Division of Services for The Blind and Arkansas Rehabilitation Services had both submitted their individual State Plans to the U.S. Department of Education. She asked Mr. Kris Jones to share details regarding the specific revisions.

Mr. Kris Jones began by informing the Committee that all changes were required to be in place by July 1, 2019. He proceeded to provide a detailed explanation of the WIOA State Plan revisions by referring to the Agenda Book, explaining that the major focus were acronyms and agency name changes resulting from the Transformation and Efficiencies Act of 2019.

Mr. Jones completed his presentation and asked if there were any questions.

Chairman Anderson asked if there were any questions of either Dr. Williams-Stokes or Mr. Jones. There were no questions.

Chairman Anderson requested a motion to approve the WIOA State Plan Revisions, as presented.

A motion to approve the WIOA State Plan Revisions were approved on a motion by Karen Breashears, seconded by Scott Bull, each board member voiced their individual vote in favor, and carried unanimously with no revisions.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by Chair Tom Anderson at 1:30 p.m.

Tom Anderson, Committee Chair

Arnell Willis, Director Workforce Investment

Division of Workforce Services

Minutes by Elroy Willoughby Division of Workforce Services Approved at the October 15, 2019, Full Board Meeting