NORTHEAST INDIANA WORKS BOARD

JUNE 6TH, 2025
9:00-10:30 AM

IN PERSON AND VIRTUAL MEETING
MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jessica Beste, Angie Dane, Jordi Disler, Leroy Jackson, Corey Schoon, Rebecca Schroeder, Michael Venturini, Jim Walmsley, Patrick Buesching, Phil Brown, Kent Prosser, Kim Barnett-Johnson, Shelly Sterns
RCEO: Rich Beck – present

STAFF PRESENT: Erica Lillie, Edmond O'Neal, Lori Rice, Kim Tempel, Cindy Neal, Victoria Durnell and Megan Voirol

I. **Call to Order**
Board Chair Jordi Disler called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. A quorum was present.

II. **Consent Agenda: Board Minutes, Financial Report**
Consent Agenda was provided in the packet of advance materials. Rebecca Schroeder moved to approve the minutes and financial report. Leroy Jackson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

III. **Board Officer Slate**
Rebecca Schroeder will be board chair, and Jordi Disler will vice chair, Leroy Jackson will continue to as treasure/secretary. Michael Venturini moved to approve, and Angie Dane seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. **PY25/26 Proposed Budget**
Michael Venturini moved to approve, and Jim Walmsley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

V. **Youth Service Provider Recommendation**
Community Action of Northeast Indiana, dba Brightpoint, was recommended to the board to continue as the WIOA Youth Services Provider after procurement was completed. Kent Prosser moved to approve, and Angie Dane seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. **President/CEO Remarks**
State allocated funds that were previously budgeted to support Jobs for Americas Graduates (JAG) programming were shifted to IDOE and will not be used to support JAG moving forward. Programming will be consolidated, likely forcing layoffs with the youth provider. Monitoring report has been

received and there were 5 findings. Response have been sent to DWD. Board certification is due this month. The Governor's Workforce Cabinet has been decommissioned. DWD will have to create a new governing body for state oversight, per federal statue.

VII. Adjourn

NEIN staff were asked to leave the meeting at 10:13 a.m.

(The next meeting of the board will be from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. October 3, 2025. There will be a virtual option, but all are encouraged to attend in person.)