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**John Bel Edwards**, Governor  
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**Workforce Investment Council**

**Workforce Investment Council Meeting**

Wednesday, December 14, 2022

9:30 AM

Renaissance Baton Rouge Hotel  
 7000 Bluebonnet, Baton Rouge, LA 70802

**I. Call to order Call to order -- Chairman Bruce Busada**

**II. Roll call --**

**WIC Director Jawanda J Givens      Quorum:      Time:**

14-December-2022				
First Name	Last Name	Member	Designee	Designee
Bruce	Busada	X		
Joseph	Ardoin	X		
Valerie	Aymond			
Melissa	Bayham	X		Ken York
Ada	Bell			
Keith W	Brand	X		
Cade	Brumley			Jessica Vallelungo
Barbara	Carpenter			
Conrad	Carriere	X		
Secretary Ava	Cates		X	Andrea Morrison
Michael	Danahay			
Stephen	David			
Jason	Dedon			
John Bel	Edwards		X	Tavares Walker
Jason	Engles		X	Gary Warren
Thelma	French	X		Glenis Scott
Larry	Frieman			
Randy	Hayden	X		
Charles "Chuck"	Henderson, Jr.			
John	Hopkins			
Edward R	Jones			
Gina	Jones			

Leigh	King			
Norisha	Kirts			
Kirk	LaCour	X		
James "Jimmy"	LeBlanc			Rhett Covington
Robert J. "Bob"	Lobos	X		
Melissa	Mann			
Roy O.	Martin III	X		
Gerry	Mims	X		
Brent	Moreland	X		
Susan	Nelson	X		
Barrow	Peacock			Margaret Corley
Sonia	Perez			
Don	Pierson		X	Paul Helton
Kim	Reed		X	Dr. Lisa Vosper
Louis	Reine		X	Nick Felton
Ronald	Rosser Jr.		X	John Sabathe
Tracey	Schiro		X	Missy Sparks
Joshua	Sonnier		X	James Foster
David	St.Etienne		X	Kellie Taylor-White
Monty	Sullivan		X	Susie Schowen
Sandra	Thompson Herman			
Buck	Vandersteen			
Marketa	Walters			Lorrie Briggs
Thomas A.	Yura	X		
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**III. Motion to adopt current agenda:**

1<sup>st</sup> Susie Schowen

2<sup>nd</sup> Kellie Taylor-White

Abstentions: Yes  None   
Opposition: Yes  None   
Approved: Yes  No

Unanimous vote

**IV. Comments from the Chairman, Bruce Busada**

**Thanked everyone for coming to the meeting in the weather**

**v. Review and approval of previous minutes:**

Motion to approve minutes:

1<sup>st</sup> Thelma French

2<sup>nd</sup> Roy O. Martin III

Abstentions: Yes  None

Opposition: Yes  None

Approved: Yes  No

Unanimous vote

**VI. Public Comments: None**

**VII. Presentation and Review of IBCC Items: Presenter: Kellie Taylor-White**

Motion to: Approve IBCC items en globo and ask IBCC council for further review of Microsoft Office Specialist IBC

1<sup>st</sup> Susan Schowen

2<sup>nd</sup> Dr. Lisa Vosper

Abstentions: Yes  None

Opposition: Yes  None

Approved: Yes  No

Unanimous vote

**VIII. Presentation of Childcare Initiative, Presenters: Susan Nelson and Thelma French**

**IX. Presentation from Local Workforce Development Boards, Presenter: Doretha Bennett, Director – 81 Ouachita Parish**

x. **Other Business**

xI. **Adjournment at 10:49 am**

**1<sup>st</sup> Susan Nelson**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Dr. Lisa Vosper**

***Minutes submitted by: Staff***

***Minutes approved by: Quorum of WIC meeting on the date of 04/12/2023***