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Jeff Landry, Governor
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Workforce Investment Council

Workforce Investment Council Meeting

July 17, 2025
10:00 AM-12:00 PM

EBR-CTEC Building
2101 Lobdell Blvd.
Baton Rouge, LA 70806

I. Call to order

a. Chairman David Helveston @10:09 am

II. Roll call –

WIC Director Kaffia Arvie Quorum: Yes Time:10:09 am

First Name	Last Name	Member	Designee	Designee
Terry	Baugh	✓		
Melissa	Bayham	✓		
Ellis	Bourque, III			
Mayor Michael	Danahay			
Mark	Dearman			
Jason	Dedon	✓		
Renee'	DeLouche	✓		
Rep. Phillip	DeVillier			
Chelsea	Dufrene		✓	Chedra Cheatham
Mayor Friday	Ellis	✓		
Jason	Engels		✓	Gary Warren
Connie	Fabre	✓		
Gregory	Feirn		✓	John Foucheaux
David	Gaines			La Mendez
Stacey	Gautreau			
David	Helveston	✓		
Dr. Kim	Hunter-Reed			
Jay	Johnson			
Dr. Chandler	Leboeuf		✓	Amy Cable
Roy	Martin, III		✓	Ed Johnson
Sec. David	Matlock		✓	Laurie Briggs
Terri	Mitchell	✓		

Neil	Rader			
Louis	Reine	✓		
Tina	Roper	✓		
Kyle	Ruckert		✓	Austin Lewis
Sec. Susan	Schowen		✓	Osmar Padillia
Sen. Alan	Seabaugh			
David	St. Etienne		✓	Kellie Taylor-White
Michael	Tanner			
Joel	Thames	✓		
Suzanne	Torregano	✓		
Jessica	Vallelungo	✓		
Buck Tom	Vandersteen Yura	✓		

III. Review and approval of previous minutes

- a. Motion to approve minutes made by L. Reine and seconded by Joel Thames.
Motion carried.

IV. Comments from Chairman David Helveston

- a. Chairman Helveston thanked everyone for attending. Advised that there are many IBC's that we have to get through. Chairman also echoed what Secretary Schowen mentioned.

V. Comments from Secretary Schowen

- a. Spoke on the One-Door and how she is thankful for the WIC to get the job done to help the different school districts be able to have the different bundles needed to start the school year.

VI. Comments from Dr. Brumley, State Superintendent

- a.

VII. Review and Approval of Industry-Based Certifications

- a. **Healthcare Bundle by Region 6**
- b. **Hospitality and Tourism Bundle by Region 6**
- c. **Business Bundle by Region 6**
- d. **Manufacturing and Construction Bundles by Region 6**
 - i. **Drafting**
 - ii. **Electrical**
 - iii. **Multi-Craft Ag Mechanics**
- e. **Patient Care Bundle by New Orleans Public Schools**
- f. **Instrumentation Bundle by St. Charles Parish Public Schools**
- g. **Manufacturing Titan Bundle by Mary Baker Smith Career Center**
- h. **Architecture and Construction Bundle by Region 8**
- i. **NCCER Multi-Craft Bundle by Region 8**

j. Environmental Protection, Sustainability and BASF Bundle by LSU STEM Center and BASF

- i. Louis Reine made a motion to pass all bundles listed above with the necessary approvals, whether its regionally or state-wide. Gary Warren 2nd the motioned.**

1. ALL PASSED

VIII. Other Business

- a. Ms. Martha Sealy with the CTEC building came in and spoke about the CTEC building. Advising and thanking the WIC for their involvement to get the IBCs approved so that students can engage in places like the CTEC building for further advancement.
- b. EBRP Superintendent Lamont Cole, came in and spoke on the different ways and different accomplishments the WIC has helped to improve the parish schools as a whole.

IX. Public Comments

- a. N/A

X. Adjournment

- a. Tina Roper made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Louis Reine second the motion Chairman Helveston adjourned meeting at 10:47am.