

Executive Committee Meeting

AGENDA

Thursday, April 29, 2021 – 10:30 a.m.

Join Zoom Meeting: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89800975385</u> Phone No: 1-646-558-8656 (EST) Meeting ID: 898 0097 5385

Call to Order Roll Call Approval of Minutes, March 3, 2021

DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

ACTION ITEMS

Sub-Grantee Agreement

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R. Skinner

K. Baxley C. Schnettler

K. Baxley

PROJECT UPDATES

None

MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

ADJOURNMENT

2020 – 2021 MEETING SCHEDULE								
Performance/ Monitoring	Business and Economic Development	Career Center	Marketing/ Outreach	Executive	Full Board			
All in-per	All in-person committee meetings are held at the CF Ocala Campus,							
Enterprise Center, Room 206.								
All teleconference meetings will be held through Zoom.								
Tuesday,	Thursday,	Thursday,	Wednesday,	Wednesday,	Wednesday,			
9:00 am	9:00 am	9:30 am	9:00 am	9:30 am	11:30 am			
5/11/2021	5/13/2021	5/20/2021	5/26/2021	6/2/2021	6/9/2021	CF Ocala		

OUR VISION STATEMENT

To be recognized as the number one workforce resource in the state of Florida by providing meaningful and professional customer service that is reflected in the quality of our job candidates and employer services.



CAREERSOURCE CITRUS LEVY MARION Executive Committee

MINUTES

DATE: March 3, 2021 PLACE: Zoom Only TIME: 9:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

MEMBERS ABSENT

Albert Jones Charles Harris Fred Morgan Kimberly Baxley, Chair Pete Beasley Rachel Riley Ted Knight

OTHER ATTENDEES

Rusty Skinner, CSCLM Dale French, CSCLM Cory Weaver, CSCLM Susan Heller, CSCLM Iris Pozo, CSCLM Cindy LeCouris, CSCLM Cira Schnettler, CSCLM Robert Stermer, CSCLM Attorney Richard Powell, Powell and Jones

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Kim Baxley, Chair, at 9:31 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Cira Schnettler called roll and a quorum was declared present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Al Jones made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 2, 2020, meeting. Pete Beasley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION / ACTION ITEM

Financial Audit

Richard Powell, with the Powell and Jones auditing firm, presented the financial audit report. The audit is in compliance with Florida statues and there were no findings to report. Charles Harris made a motion to accept the financial audit report. Al Jones seconded the report. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

State Update

Rusty Skinner provided an update on the House and Education Committee. Local

workforce boards recently made a presentation to the House Committee. The Committee requested additional information regarding costs associated with providing assistance per participant in the variety of programs offered by the workforce system. Rusty Skinner reviewed cost report of the CLM region to the members. He also presented the DEO and Workforce Association responses. He highlighted the Measures report, a comparison report between the State of Florida and nationwide services. The report portrays a positive picture of Florida's performance within the workforce system compared to national averages.

Rusty Skinner outlined the advantages and disadvantages to local workforce boards within three bills that are in development in the Senate and House; Senate Bill 98, House Bill 1507, and 1505.

Rusty Skinner has met with local Representatives Joe Harding and Stan McClain, both of which serve on the House Committee. Discussions will be ongoing and the board members will be updated as developments occur.

Workforce Issues that are Important to our Community The committee did not have other issues to discuss.

WIOA: Draft Administrative Policy - Local Workforce Development Area and Board Governance

Rusty Skinner explained to the committee that local workforce boards were able to provide feedback on the draft policy. Clarifications were added to the policy and he does not see any concerns within the policy that are beyond our ability to manage.

Board Orientation Directions

Rusty Skinner notified the committee that the Sub-grantee agreement states that all new board members must attend a board orientation and all existing board members must attend an annual refresher. Board orientation attendance will become part of future auditing requirements. We have partnered with an auditing firm that has created an orientation that meets the requirements outlined in the Sub-grantee agreement. The packet contains the directions to sign-up for the orientation, which was also sent to the committee previously. Rusty Skinner encouraged the members to go through the orientation, so that they may provide feedback and discussion during the full board meeting later in March. The goal is to have all board members complete the orientation by June 30. Consortium members will also be asked to attend the orientation.

Membership Recruitment Committee

Rusty Skinner updated the committee on membership recruitment. Nominations have been received for Citrus and Marion counties to fill the two vacancies. Levy County has two private sector vacancies. David Pieklik has been hired as the new economic development director in Citrus County, leaving a vacancy for the economic development position in Levy County. A potential nominee in Levy County, that currently serves on the Nature Coast Economic Development Board, may be able to serve in the interim until a new director is hired.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ACTION ITEMS

Travel Policy

Rusty Skinner outlined the additions and amendments, highlighted in red throughout the policy. Pete Beasley made a motion to accept the revisions to the travel policy. Al Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried.

One Stop Operator ITN Selection

Cindy LeCouris explained to the committee that two proposals were received for the One Stop Operator ITN. Both proposals provide similar services, however, the review team determined that Thomas P. Miller & Associates offers more comprehensive services that better fit the needs of our region. Al Jones made a motion to approve the selection of Thomas P. Miller & Associates to provide One Stop Operation duties for CareerSource CLM beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Fred Morgan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Youth Services ITN Selection

Cindy LeCouris explained to the committee that only one proposal was received for the Youth Services ITN. Rusty Skinner noted that although the review committee reached out to other companies directly and had a wide circulation of advertisement for the ITN, still only one proposal was submitted. Al Jones made a motion to approve the sole source selection and contracting with Eckerd Connects to provide youth services beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Pete Beasley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Local Workforce Area Designation

Rusty Skinner explained that every two years local workforce boards must notify the State of their intent to continue as a board. The Designation forms must be signed by both the Executive Director and the Chair of the Consortium. Al Jones made a motion to approve the executive director's signature on the certification and submit it to the Consortium for signature and approval, then on to the State. Fred Morgan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Policy Update OPS-26 and OPS-46

Cindy LeCouris explained to the committee that per the recent updated policy from CareerSource Florida under Policy 109, we are required to update policy changes regarding Priority of Service and Support Services. Additionally, the Programmatic Monitoring Report provided by Underwood Sloan & Associates provided information on a finding in OPS-46, which does not include guidance on the issuance and storage of reloadable/instant issue cards or on the method(s) of delivery to participants. Job title corrections were also updated. Pete Beasley made a motion to approve OPS-26 and OPS-46 to be implemented under our official policies and procedures and submitted to DEO. Al Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Policy Update-81

Cindy LeCouris explained to the committee that per the recent updated policy from CareerSource Florida under Policy 109, we are required to update policy changes regarding Support Services. Additionally, the Programmatic Monitoring Report provided by Underwood Sloan & Associates provided information on a finding in OPS-81, which does not include guidance on the issuance and storage of reloadable/instant issue cards or on the method(s) of delivery to participants. Eligibility for Services amounts and limits were adjusted to current prevailing limits/rates. Job title corrections were also updated. Al Jones made a motion to approve OPS-81 to be implemented under our official policies and procedures and submitted to DEO. Pete Beasley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Request for Attorney General's Opinion: Conflict

Board Attorney, Bob Stermer informed the committee that it is his opinion the Subgrantee Agreement requirement that a board member physically leave a board meeting when a conflict is declared on a board vote is in direct conflict of Florida statues. The conflict creates financial and criminal liability for board members, and ultimately the contract in conflict could be deemed voidable. We are seeking guidance from the Attorney General on the matter. The request for opinion letter is attached to these minutes. Al Jones made a motion to approve sending the Request for Attorney General Opinion. Pete Beasley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PROJECT UPDATES

None

MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

APPROVED:_____

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March 2, 2021

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Honorable Ashley Moody Attorney General Office of the Attorney General State of Florida The Capitol Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050

RE: Request for Attorney General Opinion re: Citrus Levy Marion Regional Workforce Development Board, Inc.

Dear Attorney General Moody:

This office represents the Board of Directors of the Citrus Levy Marion Regional Workforce Development Board, Inc. ("CLM"), a special district of the State of Florida and an entity which is a subgrantee of the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity ("DEO") for various workforce development funds provided by the United States Department of Labor. By unanimous vote of the Executive Committee of CLM, I have been asked to request you to render an opinion on the following question:

Whether a contract provision required by DEO in its contract with CLM and with all twenty-three (23) of the other subgrantees to administer Federal workforce development funds is unenforceable as a matter of public policy, or, if enforceable, that CLM and its Board members will not be liable either civilly or criminally for enforcing the contractual provision. Specifically, whether the contractual provision is consistent with the provisions of Florida Statutes §286.011(2) and Florida Statutes §445.007(1) requiring that there be public access to all meetings of the Board and its various committees or whether Board members and employees declaring a conflict of interest may lawfully be excluded from Board Meetings and subcommittee meetings without subjecting the Board to potential non-criminal and Board members to potential criminal penalties.

Factual Background

In 2014 the Congress of the United States enacted Public Law 113-128 which is commonly known as the "Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014" ("WIOA"). WIOA established a program to prepare youth and unskilled adults for entry into the labor force and to afford job training to those economically disadvantaged individuals and other individuals facing serious barriers to employment who are in special need of such training to obtain productive employment.

WIOA required the State of Florida to designate Service Delivery Areas ("SDAs") to promote the effective delivery of job training services and further provided that a consortium of units of general local government might constitute such an SDA. The Governor of the State of Florida has designated a consortium of Citrus, Levy and Marion Counties to constitute one such Service Delivery Area. The aforementioned counties subsequently entered into an Interlocal Agreement which created CLM as their Regional Workforce Board. CLM is incorporated under the laws of the State of Florida as a not-for-profit corporation.

Recently, DEO required each SDA, including CLM, to enter into a Subgrantee Agreement (a copy of which is attached to the Accompanying Memorandum of Law) which specifies how subgrantees shall administer WIOA funds. That agreement contains a provision which requires Board members who declare a conflict of interest to leave Board meetings while the matter which was the subject of the conflict of interest declaration is discussed and voted upon. CLM's Board is concerned that enforcement of the provision, which is apparently contrary to both Florida Statutes §289.011(1) and Florida Statutes §445.007(1) may result in CLM being assessed up to a \$500 non-criminal fine as set forth in Florida Statutes §286.011(3)(a) or individual Board members being subject to the criminal provisions of §286.011(3)(b). Accordingly, the CLM Board is seeking an Attorney General's opinion as to the correct course of action.

Should you require any further information in regard to the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact me. I remain,

Very truly yours,

Robert A. Stermer

RAS/ydw Enclosure

Memorandum of Law

From: Robert A. Stermer Counsel for Citrus Levy Marion Regional Workforce Development Board, Inc.

To: Ashley Moody Attorney General, State of Florida

Date: February 23, 2021

Subject: Validity of a contractual provision between the State of Florida Department of Economic Opportunity ("DEO") and the Citrus Levy Marion Regional Workforce Board, Inc., a Florida Special District ("CLM") requiring CLM Board members and employees who declare a conflict of interest at a Board or committee meeting to leave the meeting room while the matter necessitating the declaration of conflict of interest is discussed and voted upon.

1. Introduction.

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Pub. L. 113-128, ("WIOA") is the federal legislation which sets forth the conditions under which states may receive various funds from the federal government to facilitate the development of its workforce. Chapter 445 of Florida Statutes, Workforce Services, sets forth Florida's implementation of the requirements of WIOA.

In accordance with WIOA, Chapter 445 requires the Governor to designate Regional Service Delivery Areas ("SDAs") to receive and administer WIOA funds. The Governor has established twenty-four (24) such areas. One of the SDAs encompasses Citrus, Levy and Marion Counties. Those counties entered into an Interlocal Agreement to establish the Citrus Levy Marion Regional Workforce Development Board, Inc., a non-profit corporation ("CLM,") to administer the WIOA funds allocated to the three county SDA. CLM has been determined to be a Special District by the then Department of Community Affairs, now a bureau/unit within DEO.

In accordance with WIOA and Chapter 445, DEO and CLM entered into a Grantee-Subgrantee Agreement ("Agreement"¹) to delineate the duties and responsibilities of the parties with respect to funds administered under Chapter 445. A copy of the Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "A." The provision in question, Paragraph 15.c.i., provides in pertinent part:

I. Prior to entering into any Related Party Contract with any Related Party, the proposed Related Party Contract must be brought before the Board for consideration and approval. The Board shall ensure that: (I) the Board member or employee with the conflict removes himself or herself from the room prior to any discussions at any meeting, including subcommittee meetings, involving the contract; (ii) the Board member or employee with the

¹ Referred to as a Memorandum of Understanding in F.S. §445.009(4).

conflict is not physically present during the voting; and (iii) the Board member with the conflict abstains from any vote regarding the Related Party Contract.

The problematic portions of the above-quoted provision are subsections (I) and (ii) which require the Board to ensure that Board members or employees having a conflict remove themselves from the room prior to any discussion involving a proposed contract and further require Board Members to not be physically present during voting. There is no dispute as to subparagraph (iii) which requires Board members to abstain from voting on any matter for which they have a conflict of interest. The Board is concerned that enforcement of subparagraphs (I) and (ii) will subject the Board to a potential non-criminal penalty under Florida Statutes §286.011(3)(a) and could subject Board members to potential criminal liability under Florida Statutes §286.011(3)(c) merely for the act of attending a Board or committee/subcommittee meeting. Thus, the Board seeks guidance as to whether the contractual provision quoted above is unenforceable as a matter of public policy, or, if enforceable, that CLM and its Board members will not be liable either civilly (as to the Board) or criminally (as to the individual Board members in attendance) for enforcing the contractual provision.

2. The Law.

The starting point for analysis is the Florida Constitution which provides in Article I, Section 24 as follows:

Access to Public Records and Meetings

(a) Every person has the right to inspect or copy any public record made or received in connection with the official business of any public body, officer, or employee of the state, or persons acting on their behalf, except with respect to records exempted pursuant to this section or specifically made confidential by this Constitution. This section specifically includes the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of government and each agency or department created thereunder; counties, municipalities, and districts; and each constitutional officer, board, and commission, or entity created pursuant to law or this Constitution.

(b) All meetings of any collegial public body of the executive branch of state government or of any collegial public body of a county, municipality, school district, or special district, at which official acts are to be taken or at which public business of such body is to be transacted or discussed, shall be open and noticed to the public² and meetings of the legislature shall be open and noticed as provided in Article III, Section 4(e), except with respect to meetings exempted pursuant to this section or specifically closed by this Constitution.

²Emphasis added.

(c)This section shall be self-executing. The legislature, however, may provide by general law passed by a two-thirds vote of each house for the exemption of records from the requirements of subsection (a) and the exemption of meetings from the requirements of subsection (b), provided that such law shall state with specificity the public necessity justifying the exemption and shall be no broader than necessary to accomplish the stated purpose of the law.³ The legislature shall enact laws governing the enforcement of this section, including the maintenance, control, destruction, disposal, and disposition of records made public by this section, except that each house of the legislature may adopt rules governing the enforcement of this subsection in relation to records of the legislative branch. Laws enacted pursuant to this subsection shall contain only exemptions from the requirements of subsections (a) or (b) and provisions governing the enforcement of this section, and shall relate to one subject.

(d) All laws that are in effect on July 1, 1993 that limit public access to records or meetings shall remain in force, and such laws apply to records of the legislative and judicial branches, until they are repealed. Rules of court that are in effect on the date of adoption of this section that limit access to records shall remain in effect until they are repealed.

Florida Statues, §286.011(1) and (2) provide m:

(1) All meetings of any board or commission of any state agency or authority or of any agency or authority of any county, municipal corporation, or political subdivision, except as otherwise provided in the Constitution, including meetings with or attended by any person elected to such board or commission, but who has not yet taken office, at which official acts are to be taken are declared to be public meetings open to the public at all times, and no resolution, rule, or formal action shall be considered binding except as taken or made at such meeting. The board or commission must provide reasonable notice of all such meetings.

(2) The minutes of a meeting of any such board or commission of any such state agency or authority shall be promptly recorded, and such records shall be open to public inspection. The circuit courts of this state shall have jurisdiction to issue injunctions to enforce the purposes of this section upon application by any citizen of this state.

It is clear from the Florida Constitution that the public is required to be allowed access to all meetings unless a specific statutory exemption exists. A review of the Florida Statutes finds no law exempting Workforce Development Boards from the Application of Article I, Section 24. In fact F.S. §445.007(1) subjects Workforce Development Boards to Art. I, Section 24 of the Florida

³Emphasis added.

Constitution and to Florida Statutes Chapters 119 and 286 in their entirety. Specifically, F.S. §445.007(1) provides, "Regional workforce boards are subject to chapters 119 and 286 and s. 24, Art. I of the State Constitution." Thus, there is no question as to the applicability of both Art I, s.24 of the Florida Constitution and Chapters 119 and 286 of Florida Statutes.

However, there may be a question as to whether Board members and CLM employees are members of the "public" for the purposes of the Florida Constitution and Chapter 286. Unfortunately, the term"public" is nowhere defined in Chapter 286 as it applies to who is entitled to access public records or attend meetings.

The term "public' is indirectly defined in Florida Statute \$119.07(1)(a) in regard to public records wherein it is stated "(1)(a) Every person who has custody of a public record shall permit the record to be inspected and copied by **any person** desiring to do so, at any reasonable time, under reasonable conditions, and under supervision by the custodian of the public records." Thus, it is clear that Chapter 119 applies to public records requests received from "any person" and as Florida Statutes §286.011 applies to requests from the "the public," it appears that the term "the public' means any person. This conclusion is further buttressed by the concluding sentence of F.S. §286.011(2) which grants jurisdiction to the Circuit Courts to enforce the section upon application by any citizen of the state. It would also seem that the term applies to both public records and public meetings, as it would be a very odd interpretation indeed which would hold that for the purpose of accessing public records, the Chapter 286 reference to the "public" applies to "any person," but for the purpose of attendance at public meetings, Chapter 286 applies to a restricted subset of the population. This is especially true given that exemptions from the requirements of Art. I, s.24 of the Florida Constitution require a two-thirds vote of both houses of the Florida Legislature, "such law shall state with specificity the public necessity justifying the exemption and shall be no broader than necessary to accomplish the stated purpose of the law," and no such vote has occurred.

This position is supported by both prior Attorney General opinions and Court decisions. In AGO 79-01 the Attorney General approvingly pointed out that Webster's Third International Dictionary defined "public" to mean "the people as a whole," and that the staff of a municipal housing authority were members of the public as well as employees of the Housing Authority and hence could not be excluded from its meetings. In *Port Everglades Authority v. Int'l Longshoremen's Ass'n, Local 1922-1,* 652 So. 2d 1169 (Fla. 4th DCA 1995) the Court held that a mere request for bidders to leave the room while their competitors made presentations on their bids not only violated the Sunshine Law but caused the contracts issued to be invalidated. In AGO 99-53 the Attorney General ruled that the Sunshine law must be "broadly construed to effect its remedial and protective purpose." The Attorney General cited *Times Publishing Company v. Williams,* 222 So. 2d 470.473(Fla. 2d DCA 1969) which states "each... step [in the decision making process] constitutes an "official act," an indispensable prerequisite to "formal action," within the meaning of the act." AGO 99-53 goes on to point out that the Florida Supreme Court has held in *Town of Palm Beach v. Gradison,* 296 So. 2d 473 (Fla. 1974) that the Sunshine Act extends to include the inquiry and discussion stages of public meetings.

From the foregoing it seems quite clear that, absent a specific statutory exemption, any contractual provision between two state agencies or between a state agency and any entity which by statute has been made subject to Chapters 119 and 286 can not limit the access of the public to meetings at any stage in the decision making process. To do so would constitute a prima facie violation of the Sunshine Law and such contractual provisions should be held void as against public policy. Anything less would fly in the face of logic and sound precedent.

3.Conclusion.

From the perspective of the CLM Board, although its members believe that laws should be applied consistently and so as to achieve their stated purposes, if the Attorney General opines that it is lawful for the Board to exclude Board members from Board and subcommittee meetings when discussing and voting on matters for which the member has a conflict of interest and that such exclusion will not result in the imposition of a fine on CLM and if the Attorney General also opines that Board members will not face potential criminal liability for attending a Board meeting at which another Board member is excluded as the result of a conflict of interest and if the Attorney General opines that contracts entered into while following the requirements of the Agreement are not invalid as a result, then the Board is quite prepared to proceed based on that opinion. However, it is the Board's belief and position that the contractual provision under review clearly should be held void as a matter of public policy until such time as the legislature enacts a law creating an exception to deal with Regional Workforce Board member conflicts of interest.

Adn	POLICY NUMBER 110		
Title:	Local Workforce Development Area and Board Governance		
Program:	rogram: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act		
Effective:	03/04/2021		

I. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance to Chief Local Elected Official (CLEOs), Fiscal Agents, Local Workforce Development Boards (LWDBs), LWDB Chairpersons, LWDB Executive Directors, LWDB staff, and workforce system partners on the requirements for local workforce development area ("local area") and LWDB governance. This policy outlines key roles, responsibilities, and requirements of the entities/individuals that make up the workforce development system within a local area.

This policy also identifies and describes required agreements to ensure the local area serves as a jurisdiction for the administration of workforce development activities and expenditure of Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) adult, dislocated worker, and youth funds allocated to LWDBs by the state.

II. BACKGROUND

WIOA envisions a workforce development system that focuses on the needs of job seekers and businesses; and, anticipates and responds to the needs of local and regional economies.

WIOA requires LWDBs and CLEOs to design and govern the system regionally, align workforce policies and services with regional economies and support service delivery strategies tailored to those needs. The local area serves as a jurisdiction for the administration of workforce development activities which requires the CLEO to play an active role in both the strategic planning and ongoing operation of the local system. Agreements between the CLEO and the entities responsible for the local workforce development system will address how the local area functions and how administrative tasks will be carried out within the local area.

III. AUTHORITY

Public Law 113-128, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Sections 106 and 107

20 Code of Federal Regulations 679.310

20 Code of Federal Regulations 679.320

20 Code of Federal Regulations 679.370

Sections 445.004 and 445.007, F.S.

Chapter 119, F. S.

Chapter 286, F.S.

CSF Strategic Policy 2020.02.20.A.1 – Board Governance and Leadership

<u>CSF Strategic Policy 2018.09.26.A.1 – Ethics and Transparency Policy</u>

IV. POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

A. Roles and Responsibilities

1. Chief Local Elected Official (CLEO)

Pursuant to WIOA sec. 3(9), the CLEO is the chief elected executive officer of a unit of general local government in a local area and, in a case in which a local area includes more than one unit of general local government, the representative(s) under the agreement (interlocal, consortium, and other agreements as described in **Section IV.E.1.** of this policy) that specifies the respective roles.

The CLEOs responsibilities include:

- a) Requesting local area designation (as prescribed in <u>Administrative Policy</u> <u>94 – Local Workforce Development Area Designation</u>);
- b) Appointing members to the LWDB;
- c) Requesting LWDB certification (as prescribed in <u>Administrative Policy 091</u> - Local Workforce Development Board Composition and Certification);
- d) In coordination with the local board, establishing bylaws;
- e) Designating a fiscal agent (if not serving as grant recipient);

- f) Remaining liable for any misuse of WIOA grant funds by the local area;
- g) In coordination with the local board and/or staff to the board, negotiating and reaching agreement on LWDB local performance measures with the state;
- h) Negotiating with the LWDB and required partners to maintain the workforce delivery system through the Memorandum of Understanding (as prescribed in <u>Administrative Policy 106 Memorandums of Understanding and Infrastructure Funding Agreements</u>); and
- i) Partnering with the LWDB and planning region, if appropriate, to develop and submit the WIOA local plan and regional plan.

The CLEO may delegate the listed administrative functions except:

- a) Appointment of members to the LWDB.
- b) Designation of a fiscal agent (designation of a fiscal agent does not relieve the CLEO or Governor of liability for misuse of grant funds -20 CFR <u>679.420</u>).

The CLEO may remove a member of the LWDB, the executive director of the LWDB, or the designated person responsible for the operational and administrative function of the LWDB for cause.¹

2. Fiscal Agent

The fiscal agent is the entity designated by the CLEO to perform accounting and funds management on behalf of the CLEO. The duties of the fiscal agent may include but are not limited to:

- a) Receiving funds;
- b) Ensuring sustained fiscal integrity and accountability for expenditures of funds in accordance with Office of Management and Budget (OMB) circulars, WIOA, corresponding federal regulations, state law, and state policies;
- c) Responding to audit financial findings;
- d) Maintaining proper accounting records and documentation;
- e) Preparing financial reports; and,
- f) Providing technical assistance to sub-recipients regarding fiscal issues.

Although the appropriate role of the fiscal agent should be limited to accounting and funds management functions rather than policy or service delivery, there may be circumstances in which the fiscal agent may be the LWDB, the procured onestop operator or the workforce services provider and/or youth service provider.

¹ Section 445.007(2)(c)

At the direction of the LWDB, the fiscal agent may have the following additional functions:

- a) Procure contracts or obtain written agreements;
- b) Conduct financial monitoring of service providers; and
- c) Ensure an independent audit is conducted of all employment and training programs.

3. Local Workforce Development Board

The LWDB is appointed by the CLEO in each local area in accordance with state criteria established under WIOA sec. 107(b) and certified by the Governor every two years in accordance with WIOA sec. 107(c)(2). The state's criteria for LWDB certification is found in <u>Administrative Policy 091 – Local Workforce Development Board Composition and Certification</u>.

The LWDB provides strategic and operational oversight, assists in achievement of the state's strategic and operational vision and goals, and maximizes and continues to improve quality of services, customer satisfaction, and effectiveness of services provided. LWDB responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- a) Developing and submitting local and, if applicable, regional plans;
- b) Conducting workforce research and regional labor market analysis;
- c) Convening local workforce development system stakeholders to assist in the development of the local plan and identify expertise and resources to leverage support for workforce development activities;
- d) Leading efforts to engage a diverse range of employers and other entities in the region;
- e) Leading efforts to develop and implement career pathways;
- f) Leading efforts in the local area to identify and promote proven and promising strategies and initiatives for meeting the needs of employers, workers, and jobseekers;
- g) Conducting oversight of the WIOA adult, dislocated worker, and youth programs and the entire workforce delivery system, ensure the appropriate use and management of WIOA funds, and ensure the appropriate use, management, and investment of funds to maximize performance outcomes;
- h) Negotiating and reaching agreement on local performance measures with the CLEO and the state;
- i) In partnership with the CLEO, establishing bylaws and codes of conduct for LWDB members, LWDB executive director and staff to the LWDB; and;
- j) Establishing additional monitoring and reporting requirements if one entity fulfills multiple functions to ensure the entity is compliant with WIOA, final rules and regulations, OMB circulars, and the state's conflict of interest policy.

A full list of LWDB functions can be found in WIOA sec. 107(d) and <u>20 CFR</u> <u>679.370</u>.

4. Local Workforce Development Board Chairperson

The LWDB chairperson is elected by the members of the LWDB and must be one of the business representatives on the board. The LWDB chairperson shall serve a term of no more than two years and shall serve no more than two terms. At a minimum, the state will review the LWDB chairperson's term requirements during the LWDB's certification process as described in <u>Administrative Policy 091 – Local Workforce Development Board Composition and Certification</u>. The Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) will review each LWDB's composition during its annual programmatic monitoring, which may include a review of the LWDB chairperson's term(s).

The LWDB chairperson's duties may include but are not limited to:

- a) Leading the board to develop a guiding vision that aligns with the state's priorities;
- b) Acting as the lead strategic convener to promote and broker effective relationships between CLEOs and economic development, education, and workforce partners in the local area;
- c) Leading an executive committee to guide the work of the board, and ensure that committees or task forces have necessary leadership and membership to perform the work of the board; and
- d) Leading the agenda setting process for the year and guide meetings to ensure both tactical and strategic work is completed in all meetings.

5. Local Workforce Development Board Executive Director

The LWDB may hire a qualified executive director and staff to assist in ensuring the functions of the local board are achieved. The LWDB must ensure the individual or entity designated as the executive director has the requisite knowledge, skills, and abilities to meet identified benchmarks and to assist in effectively and ethically carrying out the functions of the LWDB which may include, but is not limited to:

- a) Coordinating with the CLEOs regarding the identification and nomination of members to the LWDB and ensuring membership is compliant with WIOA and Florida Statutes;
- b) Organizing board meetings and ensuring meetings are held according to the LWDB's bylaws and Florida's sunshine laws;
- c) Developing and submitting the local and regional workforce development plan;

- d) Conducting oversight of the WIOA adult, dislocated worker, youth programs and the entire one-stop delivery system, including development of policies and monitoring the administration of the programs;
- e) Negotiating and reaching agreement on local performance measures;
- f) Negotiating with CLEO and required partners for the Memorandum of Understanding (as prescribed in <u>Administrative Policy 106</u> -<u>Memorandums of Understanding and Infrastructure Funding Agreements</u>);
- g) In compliance with local board procurement policy, provide oversight of the competitive procurement process for procuring or awarding contracts for providers of youth program services, providers of workforce services (if applicable), and the one-stop operator as required in paragraph (I) of 20 CFR 679.370;
- h) Developing a budget for activities of the LWDBs; and
- i) Certifying the one-stop career centers. One-stop certification requirements may be found in <u>Administrative Policy 93 – One-Stop Career Center</u> <u>Certification Requirements</u>

B. One Entity Performing Multiple Functions

WIOA establishes clear roles and responsibilities for each entity or organization involved in the workforce delivery system. The LWDB should make every effort to ensure that roles and duties of workforce delivery system entities are clearly delineated. This includes efforts to designate or procure the functions of the fiscal agent, staff to the LWDB, one-stop operator, direct provider of workforce services, and provider of youth program services.

One entity may perform multiple functions if appropriate firewalls and internal controls are in place. Local entities or organizations often function simultaneously in a variety of roles, including fiscal agent, board staff, one-stop operator, provider of career services, and provider of youth services. **See Section IV.B.3.** of this policy for agreement requirements for one entity (not LWDBs) performing multiple functions.

See Section IV. C. 1. for requirements for LWDBs serving multiple functions.

C. Local Workforce Development Boards as Direct Providers of Workforce Services

Ideally, entities providing workforce services are procured through the LWDB, which is responsible for monitoring and overseeing the contracts, as well as services performed through the contract. The LWDB is designed to oversee the workforce delivery system and its services. Chapter 445.007(6), F.S. allows LWDBs to be designated as the one-stop operator and direct provider of services (except training

services), with the agreement of the CLEO and governor based on the criteria established by the state workforce development board.

LWDBs seeking to provide workforce services, except training services, will follow the requirements established in <u>Administrative Policy 083 – Direct Provider</u> of Workforce Services.

Before a LWDB may be designated as the one-stop operator, LWDBs must still follow criteria established in <u>Administrative Policy 097 – One-Stop Operator</u> <u>Procurement</u>.

1. Local Workforce Development Boards Serving Multiple Functions

LWDBs serving multiple functions must be able to demonstrate that roles, responsibilities and duties of each function are clearly defined and delineated in locally established processes and procedures that clearly detail:

- a) How functions are sufficiently separated;
- b) Descriptions of the steps the local area has taken to mitigate risks that could lead to impropriety;
- c) Firewalls (physical, technological, policies, etc.) created to ensure such risks are mitigated; and
- d) Oversight and monitoring procedures.

These processes and procedures must be included in the LWDB's WIOA Local Plan.

D. Temporary Assumption of Duties for Procured and Contracted Services

While LWDBs may provide workforce services and assume the role of one-stop operator, many LWDBs procure and contract with providers for these services. In certain critical circumstances, (e.g., sudden termination of contract or failed procurement), the local board may be faced with needing to temporarily assume the role(s) of one-stop operator, direct provider of workforce and/or youth program services. When this happens, LWDBs may request to temporarily assume the responsibilities that were being provided by a contracted vendor or services being sought when the procurement failed. Requests for boards to act as a one-stop operator and provider of workforce and/or youth program services on a time-limited basis must be approved by the CLEO and submitted to DEO. The request must include the duration for which the board will act as a one-stop operator and provider of services. DEO will make a recommendation to the state workforce development board.

1. Sudden Termination of Contract

If the circumstance arises that the LWDB or LWDB staff needs to temporarily serve in multiple roles due to sudden (unexpected) termination of a contract, a new competitive solicitation must be reissued timely. A new entity must assume the applicable role on or before the end of the temporary designation.

In the event of a sudden termination of contract, the LWDB must submit a formal request to serve in the capacity of the role in which the contract was terminated.

The LWDB will:

- a) Submit a request to serve in the role in which the contract was terminated;
- b) Provide documentation of the original contract and the termination notification, which should include the reason for termination;
- c) Provide an explanation and an organizational chart showing who will be responsible for assuming the role(s) temporarily. The explanation and organizational chart must clearly illustrate how the following will be enforced to minimize potential risks associated with the temporary designation.
 - 1. Separation of duties; (including but not limited to the temporary removal of duties from certain areas/individuals to allow assumption of the temporary role);
 - 2. Firewalls; (including but not limited to restriction from access to any information that may lead to impropriety); and
 - 3. Conflict of interest requirements.
- d) The length of time in which the LWDB seeks to temporarily serve in the role in which the contract was terminated, not to exceed one year from the date of request.

LWDBs will submit formal requests for temporary designation to CareerSource Florida and DEO via email at <u>LWDBGovernance@deo.myflorida.com</u>.

2. Failed Procurement

If the circumstance arises that the LWDB or LWDB staff needs to serve in multiple roles due to failed procurement, the LWDB will:

- a) Submit, in writing, the request to serve in the role sought through the failed procurement and provide the following:
 - 1. A copy of the competitive solicitation;
 - 2. Proof of the announcement medium used (e.g., newspaper, social media, website, email notification to potential bidders), including documentation showing how long the announcement was posted; and
 - 3. The length of time the LWDB seeks to temporarily serve in the role.
- b) An explanation and an organizational chart showing who will temporarily be responsible for assuming the role(s). The explanation and organizational chart will clearly illustrate how the following will be enforced to minimize potential risks associated with the temporary designation.
 - 1. Separation of duties; (including but not limited to the temporary removal of duties from certain areas/individuals to allow assumption of the temporary role);
 - 2. Firewalls; (including but not limited to restriction from access to any information that may lead to impropriety); and
 - 3. Conflict of interest requirements.
- c) The LWDB will review the previously issued competitive solicitation and identify any elements that led to the failed procurement (e.g., unrealistic compensation for requested services, duties outside the scope of the role for which services are being sought);
- d) Update and reissue the competitive solicitation (within one month of being granted temporary authority to serve in the role in which the procurement was not successful);
- e) Once an entity is selected, notify DEO of the selection upon final approval by the LWDB; and
- f) Onboard the selected entity of the new solicitation on or before the end of the temporary designation.

The individual or entity contracted to fulfill the role of the LWDB executive director *must not* be the one-stop operator or the provider of workforce and/or youth program services.

Formal requests for temporary designation will be sent to CareerSource Florida and DEO via email at <u>LWDBGovernance@deo.myflorida.com</u>.

3. Local Workforce Development Area Multi-Function Agreement

For circumstances in which an entity or organization, other than the local workforce development board, has been selected or otherwise designated to perform more than one function, the required contract or written agreement must include a clause to clarify how the entity will carry out its responsibilities while demonstrating compliance with WIOA and corresponding regulations, relevant OMB circulars, and the state's conflict of interest policy. The written clause in the contract or agreement must include, at a minimum, the following requirements:

- a) Definition of roles and responsibilities/duties per function (e.g., fiscal agent, one-stop operator, and/or procured provider of workforce or youth program services);
- b) Description of the separation of staff duties under each role, including deliverables for each separate function;
- c) Description of how budget authority is separated, including separate line item budgets for each function; and
- d) Description of how staff duties will be completed while demonstrating compliance with WIOA and corresponding regulations, OMB circulars, and the state's conflict of interest policy, including how conflict of interest will be minimized;
- e) Description of the roles and responsibilities within the organization, including an organizational chart, and sustainability if a function is removed; and
- f) Description of how fiscal monitoring will occur if the fiscal agent is performing multiple functions.

The written clauses in the agreement are intended to limit conflicts of interest or the appearance of conflicts of interest, minimize fiscal risk, and develop appropriate firewalls within a single entity performing multiple functions.

E. Governance Agreements

Implementation of a local workforce development system pursuant to WIOA requires that the CLEOs play an active role in both strategic planning and ongoing operation of the local system. When a local area includes more than one unit of general local government, the chief elected officials of such units may execute a written agreement that specifies the respective roles and liability of the individual chief elected officials. Chief local elected officials are liable in their official capacity but not personally liable for the misuse of WIOA funds.

1. Interlocal, Consortium and Other Agreements

The purpose of having interlocal, consortium or other governing agreements is to ensure the decisions that are delegated to CLEO(s), or a consortium, reflect the agreement of all the chief elected officials in all jurisdictions of a local area and consistent with requirements established in s 163.01, F.S. These agreements are between the chief elected officials of each jurisdiction within the local area and must contain signatures of the representative(s) authorized to enter into such agreements.

The interlocal or consortium agreement will clearly state the level of agreement to be reached amongst the governmental entities involved and identify the roles and responsibilities of the CLEOs within the local area. At a minimum, applicable agreements will address:

- a) **Identification of local workforce development area** The agreement will clearly identify the units of local government which are covered by the agreement and which make up the local area.
- b) **Designation and responsibilities of the CLEO** The parties to the interlocal agreement should identify the county commissioners and/or mayors to serve as the CLEO(s) of the local area for the purposes of approving local and, if appropriate, regional plans; establishing policy; authorizing WIOA expenditures; establishing contracts; paying for services outside of the local area; or paying costs associated with monitoring or audit findings or sanctions.

Areas where a consortium is serving in the capacity to perform the duties and functions of the CLEO will describe the duties/responsibilities of the consortium, members that make up the consortium, and the authority of its members in an agreement signed by the applicable elected officials or their authorized designee.

- c) **Establishment, appointment, and operation of the LWDB** The agreement should include an agreed upon process for establishing and appointing the LWDB members, including:
 - 1. Membership of the LWDB that is consistent with WIOA and state guidance; and
 - 2. How the needs of all geographical areas in all jurisdictions will be represented within the local area.

- d) **Designation and responsibilities of the fiscal agent** The fiscal agent is the entity designated to perform accounting and funds management on behalf of the CLEO. The agreement will identify the entity performing these duties.
- e) **Process for CLEOs to provide input** The agreement will include a process for all CLEOs to provide input for the purposes of reaching a consensus on critical decisions that may impact the local workforce development system.
- f) Liability Under WIOA, CLEOs are liable for misspent funds, disallowed costs, funds spent fraudulently, and potential sanctions for nonperformance. Therefore, it is recommended that CLEOs within a local area agree on how liability will be addressed. The following questions can be used to guide such discussions:
 - 1. How will sanctions related to performance be shared among the jurisdictions within the local area?
 - 2. How will the issue of disallowed costs or misspent funds that cannot be covered by federal grant funds be addressed?
- g) **Performance Accountability** Generally, performance accountability is addressed in the WIOA local plan. However, CLEOs should agree on an approach to performance accountability. The following questions may be used to guide such discussions:
 - 1. Who will be responsible for negotiating local performance measures with the state (the Executive Director / staff to the board, local board)?
 - 2. Will the local area have any performance criteria in addition to federal and state criteria? How will performance be administratively tracked locally?
 - 3. Will performance-related incentives be shared among the jurisdictions within the local area?
- h) **Dispute Resolution Process -** The governing agreement should include provisions for resolving disputes. Below are possible issues to address in the agreement relative to dispute resolution:
 - 1. What types of disputes arise to the level of needing a dispute resolution process?
 - 2. What type of dispute resolution process should be used (mediation, arbitration, consultation with state, etc.)?

i) Other Agreement Provisions (Miscellaneous)

- 1. Duration of the agreement; and
- 2. Process for modification or termination of agreement.

2. Bylaws

Bylaws are the provisions by which the local area is governed and the LWDB and its operations are managed. They provide consistency and clarification on the roles and responsibilities of the various representatives governing the local workforce development system. The LWDB must ensure that its bylaws are upto-date and in alignment with requirements of WIOA and state policy. At a minimum, the following should be reflected in the local area's bylaws.

- a) Purpose and Responsibilities (Functions) Describe the purpose of the LWDB (e.g. to set policy and establish oversight of the workforce development system). Describe the functions or the responsibilities of the LWDB (e.g. the local board has the responsibility to provide strategic and operational oversight, assists in achievement of the State's strategic and operational vision and goals, and maximizes and continues to improve quality of services, customer satisfaction, and effectiveness of services provided). A list of the board's responsibilities can be found in Section IV.A.3. of this policy.
- b) Membership Include the processes and procedures for the following:
 - 1. Recruiting, nominating, vetting and appointing board members;
 - 2. Filling LWDB member vacancies; and
 - 3. Resignation, reasons for disqualification, removal, and reappointment of board members.

Board membership and composition requirements can be found in <u>Administrative Policy 091 - Local Workforce Development Board</u> <u>Composition and Certification.</u>

- c) Authority of LWBD Include the power and authorities of the LWDB, including authority to recommend, select, and hire an Executive Director to perform operational and administrative functions of the board
- d) **Duties of the Members** Describe the duties and term limits of the board members.

- e) **Officers** Describe the authority of its officers, including terms of office, and board officer duties.
- f) Committees Describe the types of committees (e.g. executive committee, finance committee, nominating committee, etc.) as well as their authorities, responsibilities, terms of committee members and chairpersons, who has the authority to appoint committee members, and who may sit on the committee. The LWDB will prohibit any LWDB staff from serving as members of a committee or subcommittee.
- g) Meetings and Minutes- Describe frequency of meetings and describe how regular board and committee meetings are planned and conducted. The LWDB will also describe the process and requirements for calling special and emergency meetings, what constitutes an emergency meeting or special meeting, and who is authorized to call such meetings. This includes but is not limited to the requirement to provide the schedule to the board members and the public.
 - 1. **Record Keeping** The LWDB will describe how meeting minutes will be scribed/recorded, retain records of board members who are present/absent, and record official acts of the board including the number of votes of members (yeas, nays, and abstentions). Meeting minutes must be made available publicly on the LWDB's website.
 - 2. Voting, Board Actions, and Conflict of Interest Include voting and quorum requirements, record official acts of the board including the number of votes of members (yeas, nays, and abstentions). Abstentions due to conflict of interest must be recorded, include the name of the abstaining member, and the reason for abstention.

Strategic Policy <u>2012.05.24.A.2</u> - <u>State and Local Workforce</u> <u>Development Board Contracting Conflict of Interest Policy</u> provides guidelines for approving contracts in which a conflict of interest may exist.

LWDBs must adhere to requirements in the Grantee-Subgrantee Agreement for board member conflicts of interest disclosures and applicable requirements. This includes but is not limited to the requirement to adopt and abide by a conflict of interest policy that ensures compliance with state and federal law, regulations and policies.

LWDB members and staff must maintain integrity, accountability and transparency in decisions and actions that earn and protect the public trust in compliance with

<u>Strategic Policy 2018.09.26.A.1 - Ethics and Transparency Policy.</u> This includes taking all necessary steps to avoid the appearance of conflicts of interest.

The LWDB is subject to open government and confidentiality requirements in Chapters 119 and 286, Florida Statutes (F.S).²

While it is preferable that the elements outlined in **Section IV. E.** of this policy be contained in comprehensive documents as described, it is acceptable that the items identified in this section be contained in separate agreements (memoranda of understanding, governing policies and procedures, etc.), as long as the requirements of this section are clearly met.

F. New Board Member Orientation and Annual Training

Members appointed to the LWDB are required to participate in orientation and annual training to ensure they understand the purpose of their participation on the LWDB. The purpose of orientation and training is to provide LWDB members with information that empowers them to effectively serve as a board member. The LWDB is expected to take all reasonable steps necessary to encourage attendance by the CLEO at board member orientation and training.

1. New LWDB Member Orientation

All new board members, within six months of appointment, will complete a new board member orientation. The board shall develop board member orientation for board members, which will cover at a minimum:

- a) Overview of WIOA;
- b) Overview of the workforce development system and structure;
- c) The state's workforce development system goals and strategies;
- d) The purpose of the LWDB;
- e) LWDB composition, including required members and areas of representation;
- f) Roles and responsibilities of the CLEO, fiscal agent, LWDB, LWDB chairperson, and LWDB executive director and staff;
- g) Required partners and programs;
- h) How the workforce system is funded;
- i) Performance requirements;
- j) Sunshine law requirements; and

² The LWDB is subject to Chapters 119 and 286, F.S. The LWDB is responsible for responding to public records requests and subpoenas. The LWDB is responsible for ensuring that its staff and agents have a working knowledge of Chapter 119, F.S. The LWDB agrees to appoint a public records coordinator for the purpose of ensuring that all public records matters are handled appropriately.

k) Conflict of interest policy and disclosure of potential conflicts of interest.

2. Annual Training Requirements

Board members will complete an annual refresher training to remind them of the purpose of their appointment as a member to the LWDB. The annual training will include at a minimum:

- a) The state's workforce development goals and strategies;
- b) The purpose of the LWDB;
- c) Roles and responsibilities of the CLEO, fiscal agent, LWDB, LWDB chairperson, and LWDB executive director and staff;
- d) How the workforce system is funded;
- e) Performance requirements;
- f) Sunshine law requirements; and
- g) Conflict of interest policy.

New member orientation and refresher training may be offered in-person and/or virtually at the local area's discretion. The LWDB must retain and, provide to DEO upon request, attendance records of participants and the dates of completion. New board members completing the board member orientation are not required to complete the annual refresher training in the same year they become a new member.

G. State and Local Monitoring

At the local level, the LWDB must conduct oversight of the procurement process and resulting contracts and agreements to ensure all aspects of written agreements and contracts are compliant with federal and state laws and regulations. Additionally, the LWDB must also ensure that governing agreements are upheld. In instances where the LWDB is also the one-stop operator, the LWDB must follow the monitoring requirements outlined in <u>Administrative Policy 97 – One-Stop</u> <u>Operator Procurement</u>. The LWDB must monitor compliance with this policy.

DEO will perform programmatic and fiscal monitoring and will review the local area's agreements and contracts during the annual monitoring review for compliance with federal and state laws and regulations. Findings and other noncompliance issues will be handled through the state's monitoring resolution process.

V. DEFINITIONS

1. Chief Local Elected Official (CLEO) (CEO in WIOA sec. 3(9)) -

- a) A chief elected executive officer of a unit of general local government in a local area; and
- b) In a case in which a local area includes more than one unit of general local government, the individuals designated under the agreement described in Section 107(c)(1)(B).
- 2. Governance Agreements (i.e. Interlocal, Consortium, and other governing agreements) are written agreements designed to ensure that decisions to CLEO(s), or a consortium, reflect the agreement of all the chief elected officials in all jurisdictions of a local area. Including, how the local board is governed, roles and responsibilities of members, liabilities, etc.
- 3. Local Workforce Development Area (LWDA) is a geographical area that serves as the jurisdiction for the administration of workforce development activities and has been granted such designation by meeting criteria as prescribed in Administrative Policy 94 Local Workforce Development Designation.
- 4. **Fiscal Agent** is the entity designated to perform accounting and funds management on behalf of the CLEO.
- 5. **Board Chairperson** is a business representative among the board members who is elected by the board.
- 6. **Local Workforce Development Board** is a board established under WIOA sec. 107, to set policy for the local workforce development system.
- 7. **Executive Director** is an individual hired or designated by the LWDB to perform the operational and administrative functions of the board.
- 8. **Cause** includes but is not limited to, engaging in fraud or other criminal acts, incapacity, unfitness, neglect of duty, official incompetence or irresponsibility, misfeasance, malfeasance, nonfeasance, or lack of performance.

VI. REVISION HISTORY

Date	Description		
03/04/2021	Issued by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.		
02/18/2021	Approved by CareerSource Florida Board of Directors.		

VII. RESOURCES

WIOA Fact Sheet: Governance and Leadership



RECORD OF ACTION/APPROVAL

Executive Committee Meeting Thursday, April 29, 2021

TOPIC/ISSUE:

2021 Subgrantee Agreement

BACKGROUND:

The 2021 Subgrantee Agreement has been updated by DEO after input from a workgroup made up of local boar directors. The updates contains almost all of the recommendations of the workgroup, with only minor ones not included at this time.

POINTS OF CONSIDERATION:

The Agreement is necessary for the Board to continue to receive funds to provide services and has been changed to remove the most troublesome requirements from the 2020 version.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends approval.

COMMITTEE ACTION:

BOARD ACTION:

AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAREEERSOURCE (insert) AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

This Agreement is entered into between the State of Florida, Department of Economic Opportunity ("DEO"), and (insert), d/b/a (insert) ("Board" or "Subrecipient"). DEO and the Board are sometimes referred to herein individually as a "Party" and collectively as "the Parties."

WHEREAS, DEO is Florida's designated state agency for receipt of federal workforce development funds, and is required to carry out the duties and responsibilities assigned by the Governor under each federal grant assigned to DEO; and

WHEREAS, the Board is a "subrecipient" of funds (as that term is defined by federal law), and a "recipient" of funds (as that term is defined by state law); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 121(h) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (Pub. L. 113-128) and section 445.009(2)(c), Florida Statutes, DEO and the Board intend for this Agreement to satisfy the requirements that the Board enter into a memorandum of understanding and infrastructure funding agreement with each mandatory or optional partner participating in the one-stop delivery system.

1. DEFINITIONS AND ACRONYMS.

- a. "Board" means the Local Workforce Development Board
- b. "CDBG-DR" means Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery.
- c. "CFR" means Code of Federal Regulations.
- d. "CLEO" means the Chief Local Elected Official.
- e. "DCF" means the Florida Department of Children and Families.
- f. **"FDLE"** means the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.
- g. "LWDA" means Local Workforce Development Area.
- h. "MOU" means Memorandum of Understanding.
- i. "NFA" means Notice of Award/Notice of Fund Availability.
- j. "RA" means Reemployment Assistance.
- k. "SNAP E&T" means the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment & Training program.
- 1. "State Board" means the State Workforce Development Board.
- m. "TAA" means Trade Adjustment Assistance.
- n. "WIOA" means the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.
- o. **"WP"** means the Wagner-Peyser Act.
- p. **"WT"** means the Welfare Transition program.

2. TERM AND EXPIRATION. The Effective Date of this Agreement is May 15, 2021, and may continue for three years, through May 15, 2024 (the "Expiration Date"), unless otherwise terminated as set forth herein. In accordance with section 121(c)(2) of WIOA, this Agreement will be reviewed, and if substantial changes have occurred renewed, at least once every three years to ensure appropriate funding and delivery of services. July 1, 2020. This Agreement ends on June 30, 20221 (the "Expiration Date"), unless otherwise terminated as set forth herein. This Agreement may be renewed or extended for a period of time to be determined by DEO in its sole discretion, and without the Board's approval, at any time prior to the Expiration Date. This Agreement terminates, supersedes, and replaces any prior agreement in effect between DEO and the Board regarding the subject matter set forth herein as of the Effective Date. The period between the Effective Date and the Expiration Date or the termination date is the "Agreement Period". Subrecipient is absolutely responsible for all work performed and all expenses incurred in fulfilling the obligations of this Agreement. If DEO elects to terminate this Agreement, then DEO will notify the Board and the CLEO of such termination, when the termination becomes effective, and any termination instructions.

3. FISCAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS.

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- a. DEO will provide funds in consideration for the Subrecipient's successful performance under this Agreement. The State of Florida's and DEO's performance and obligation to pay under this Agreement is contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature of the State of Florida. DEO shall have final authority as to both the availability of funds and what constitutes an "annual appropriation" of funds. The lack of appropriation or availability of funds shall not create DEO's default under this Agreement. If there is a state or federal funding shortfall, then the funding otherwise made available under this Agreement may be reduced. The Subrecipient shall not expend funding provided under this Agreement or made available pursuant to any NFA to pay any costs incurred in connection with any defense against any claim or appeal of the State of Florida or any agency or instrumentality thereof (including DEO) or to pay any costs incurred in connection of any claim or appeal against the State of Florida or any agency or instrumentality thereof (including DEO), which the Subrecipient has joined as a claimant.
- b. DEO will make funding available to the Subrecipient by issuing NFAs through DEO's financial management information system. Each NFA may list or incorporate specific terms, conditions, assurances, restrictions, or other instructions applicable to the funds provided by the NFA. The Subrecipient's receipt of funding made under an NFA may be conditioned upon the Subrecipient's successful performance of certain requirements prior to the receipt of such funding. The Subrecipient must comply with all terms, conditions, assurances, restrictions, or other instructions contained within the NFA as a condition precedent to the Subrecipient's receipt of funding set forth in the NFA. Except as specifically set forth herein, if a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and any NFA, the terms of the NFA shall control.
- c. Accountability for Funds.
 - i. <u>Reduction or Suspension of Funding</u>. DEO may partially, completely, temporarily or permanently, reduce or suspend any funding provided under this Agreement or funding made available pursuant to an NFA, if the Subrecipient fails to comply with all applicable state and federal laws, rules, and regulations, or the terms of this Agreement or any NFA. DEO will exercise its authority to reduce or suspend funding in accordance with the applicable federal and state laws, rules, regulations, and policies.
 - ii. <u>Recoupment</u>. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or any NFA to the contrary, DEO has an absolute right to recoup funds. DEO may refuse to reimburse the Subrecipient for any cost if DEO determines that such cost was not incurred in compliance with the terms of this Agreement. DEO may demand a return of funds if DEO terminates this Agreement.
 - iii. <u>Overpayments</u>. If the Subrecipient's (a) noncompliance with this Agreement or any applicable federal, state, or local law, rule, regulation, or ordinance, terms of any NFA, or (b) performance or nonperformance of any term or condition of this Agreement results in (i) an unlawful use of funds;
 (ii) a use of funds that doesn't comply with the terms of this Agreement; or (iii) a use which constitutes a receipt of funds to which the Subrecipient is not entitled (each such event an "Overpayment"), then the Subrecipient shall return such Overpayment of funds to DEO.
 - iv. <u>Discovery of Overpayments</u>. The Subrecipient shall refund any Overpayment of funds to DEO within 30 days of the Subrecipient's discovery of an Overpayment or receipt of notification from DEO that an Overpayment has occurred. DEO is the final authority as to what may constitute an Overpayment of funds. Refunds should be sent to DEO's Agreement Manager and made payable to the "Department of Economic Opportunity". Should repayment not be made in a timely manner, DEO may charge interest, <u>pursuant to 2</u> <u>CFR 200.410</u>, at the lawful rate of interest on the outstanding balance beginning 30 days after the date of notification or discovery.
- d. By signature below, the Subrecipient certifies to DEO that it has written administrative procedures, processes, and fiscal controls in place for the operation of WIOA, WP, TAA, SNAP E&T, WT, CDBG-DR and any other program for which the Subrecipient receives funds from DEO. The written administrative procedures, processes, and fiscal controls described in this paragraph must, at minimum, comply with applicable state and federal law, rules, regulations, policies, guidance, and the terms of this Agreement. DEO may request copies of the Board's written procedures and policies for review. As needed, DEO shall provide guidance and technical assistance to

the Subrecipient to ensure compliance with this section. If the Subrecipient cannot certify that it has written administrative procedures, processes, and fiscal controls in place for the operation of any program for which it may receive funds at a future date, then as a condition precedent to the award of any funds, the Subrecipient shall establish and adopt such written administrative procedures, processes, and fiscal controls, as necessary for the applicable program.

- e. By signature below, the Subrecipient certifies that it has written administrative procedures, processes, and fiscal controls in place for the payment of supportive services including, but not limited to prepaid gas or prepaid debit cards. Controls must address issuance, storage, and reconciliation of prepaid gas or prepaid debit cards. The Subrecipient must maintain documentation supporting the eligibility of the receipt of supportive services and that the value of the supportive service is consistent with the documented need of the participant.
- f. The Subrecipient shall manage, maintain, and properly dispose of program and financial records in accordance with governing state and federal laws and regulations.
- g. The Board will appoint at least one Regional Security Officer that is responsible for ensuring the Board's compliance with all information system security matters and system access control for users of DEO-owned systems. The Regional Security Officer will comply with policies and requirements imposed by DEO. The Subrecipient will designate a custodian for purchased property and equipment that will be responsible for ensuring the Subrecipient's compliance with 2 CFR §§ 200.310-200.316.
- h. The Subrecipient is responsible for managing real property and leases for all space utilized in the one- stop delivery system. The Subrecipient and its designated one-stop operator or managing partner shall be responsible for all activities involved in securing space for local career centers, ensuring payment to lessors, and cost allocating rent charges, and otherwise managing leases.
- i. The Subrecipient will comply with all federal and state laws, policies, guidance, plans, or other similar documents produced, approved, or disseminated by DEO, the State Board, or any other entity whose funds are made available to the Subrecipient through DEO. These documents will be made available on DEO's website or distributed to the Subrecipient through other means.
- j. Funds provided to the Subrecipient by DEO may not be used to pay consultants<u>, as that term is defined in 5 CFR</u> 304.102 in excess of \$710 per day and must be documented as reasonable and necessary.

4. PERFORMANCE, REPORTING, MONITORING, AND AUDITING.

- a. DEO may request any information at any time from the Subrecipient. The Subrecipient shall provide any requested information in the form and manner requested by DEO, within the time frame established by DEO, so DEO may review the Board's performance and compilance and compile and submit information to the appropriate parties. The Board shall provide timely electronic data to DEO, via the electronic financial and programmatic data systems established by DEO in order to allow DEO to provide accurate reports to state and federal funding agencies, the State Board, and other interested parties, and to review the Board's fiscal status and performance.
- b. The Subrecipient will comply with the audit requirements set forth in Exhibit A on an annual basis and take prompt corrective action with respect to any audit findings.
- c. The Subrecipient shall allow access to representatives of DEO, DEO's Office of Inspector General and Office of Civil Rights, appropriate representatives from other state and federal funding agencies, and any other entity authorized by law for the purposes of conducting monitoring, reviews, inspections, investigations, proceedings, hearings, or audits (each a "Compliance Review"). The Subrecipient will fully cooperate with any Compliance Review conducted pursuant to this section. Failure to fully cooperate will constitute a material breach of this Agreement and may result in the termination or suspension of this Agreement and any funding provided by DEO. DEO reserves the right to, in its sole discretion, decide what constitutes full cooperation under this paragraph.

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- d. Annually, the subrecipient shall submit the following information electronically to FMA-RWB@deo.myflorida.com or uploaded to SharePoint by the deadlines prescribed below:
 - Completed Salary Cap by April 1;
 - Annual detailed budget of revenues and expenditures by funding source by October 1; and
 - Completed Internal Control Questionnaire signed by Board Chair and Executive Director by September 30<u>or within 30 calendar days after the Internal Control Questionnaire is provided to the</u> <u>Subrecipient</u>, whichever is later.
- e. The State Board and DEO have established special guidelines concerning audit quality as guidance for the Board. For the procurement of the audit services, the Board must procure these services in accordance with Florida Statutes. As part of these guidelines, the Board is also required to communicate to their independent auditors (auditor) the following procedures that must be performed:
 - i. It is essential that the auditor test the Board's reconciliation of its financial records to the Subrecipient Enterprise Resource Application (SERA) maintained by DEO. The auditor should include a note to the financial statements confirming whether such a reconciliation was performed by the Board in a satisfactory manner.
 - ii. Auditors are required under federal audit guidelines to test compliance with federal cash management requirements and to report any material problems. However, the State Board and DEO have established state level guidance for cash management that should also be tested. The auditor should review the key guidelines contained in the SERA Manual produced by DEO concerning cash management, especially the criteria for Allowable Cash on Hand, and conduct the appropriate tests of compliance.
 - iii. It is required that auditors always prepare and submit a management letter for those findings and observations not included in the audit report, as opposed to providing only a verbal briefing. The Board must prepare a written statement of explanation or rebuttal, including corrective actions to be taken, concerning the deficiencies cited in the management letter. NOTE: If a management letter is not present, this should be stated in the schedule of findings and questioned costs.
 - iv. All funds overseen, managed, or administered by the Board must be included in the scope of the audit and within the audited financial statements. This includes funds that are provided to any auxiliary entity over which the Board or Board's leadership exercises any controlling influence, such as a foundation or an association. For purposes of this guidance document, all foundations, associations, or other similar entities are considered to be affiliated organizations and, in some instances, may need to be classified as a component unit.
 - v. For any affiliated organization, at a minimum the audit report should disclose the entity's mission or purpose; any and all controlling members; summarized financial data including total assets, liabilities, net assets, revenues, expenditures; sources of all revenues; the entity's relationship to the Board's activities; and a statement that the activities of the entity comply with Federal Regulations and Florida Statues, as applicable. The auditor may need to provide other disclosures and presentations (such as consolidated financial statement) as appropriate after giving proper consideration of applicable accounting standards pronouncements regarding reporting of related entities.
 - vi. The auditor should state in the Report on Compliance and Internal Control over Compliance

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Applicable to Each Major Federal Awards Program that the audit was conducted in accordance with the special audit guidance provided by the DEO.

- vii. The Board must limit the audit services to no more than five years and then must follow Florida Statutes and its own policies to competitively re-procure these services. The previous audit firm may be awarded the new contract for audit services through the competitive procurement if the lead partner of the audit firm had not been engaged as the lead partner with the Board for any of the previous five years.
- f. DEO will meet at least annually with the CLEO and the Board to review the Board's performance and compliance and will notify the Board's Chief Executive Officer and CLEO in writing of any findings, deficiencies, recommendations, or other areas of concern. The Board's failure to meet its negotiated level of performance or its failure to comply with state and federal laws, regulations, standards or the terms of agreements between the Board and DEO may constitute grounds for corrective measures, sanctions and remedies, consistent with WIOA and any policies of DEO or the State Board. DEO may require corrective measures be taken in accordance with a Performance Improvement Plan, or other appropriate action, developed by DEO. The Board's failure to comply with the terms of any Performance Improvement Plan or other appropriate action will constitute a material breach of this Agreement, may result in the suspension or termination of this Agreement, the reduction or withholding of funding provided under this Agreement, or any other sanction or remedy available to DEO by law.
- 5. THE BOARD'S ONE-STOP DELIVERY SYSTEM. The Board shall operate at least one physical comprehensive career center with access to partner programs, services, and activities in accordance with 20 CFR 678.300(c) and 678.305. The Board shall designate a one-stop operator in accordance with 20 CFR 678.605-678.625, Section 445.009, F.S., and applicable policies, including the following one-stop delivery system requirements:
 - a. Each partner program in the Board's career centers will contribute to infrastructure costs at a rate negotiated and agreed upon by the Parties, or pursuant to a policy established by the Governor. The following infrastructure elements, set forth specifically in 20 CFR 678.755, must be incorporated into the period of time in which the infrastructure funding agreement is effective. This may be a different time period than the duration of the MOU.
 - b. Identification of an infrastructure and shared services budget that will be periodically reconciled against actual costs incurred and adjusted accordingly to ensure that it reflects a cost allocation methodology that demonstrates how infrastructure costs are charged to each partner in proportion to its use of the career center and relative benefit received, and that complies with 2 CFR part 200 (or any corresponding similar regulation or ruling).
 - c. Identification of all career center partners, chief local elected officials, and Board participating in the infrastructure funding arrangement.
 - d. Steps the Board, chief local elected officials, and career center partners used to reach consensus or an assurance that the local area followed the guidance for the State funding process.
 - e. Description of the process to be used among partners to resolve issues during the MOU duration period when consensus cannot be reached.
 - f. Description of the periodic modification and review process to ensure equitable benefit among one- stop partners.
 - g. The Board shall incorporate infrastructure funding provisions in each memorandum of understanding with its one-stop partners. Remedies for nonperformance must also be included.

6. SERVICES DELIVERED BY DEO STAFF WITHIN THE BOARD'S ONE-STOP DELIVERY SYSTEM.

a. Certain workforce program services will be performed by DEO staff assigned to work under the functional supervision and direction of the Board. These services include WP services, TAA services, services to veterans, services to migrant and seasonal farmworkers, and other workforce services as agreed upon by the Parties. The Commented [RS4]: Aligning the language to current policy

provision of these services will be consistent with applicable federal and state law, rules, regulations, policies, and guidance, and State Board policies. The Board will refer any question or conflict regarding management of DEO staff to DEO for resolution.

- b. The Parties shall maintain a staffing structure chart describing each career center site location, the designated onestop operator or managing partner at the site location, all DEO staff placed at the site location, and the position classification and program assignment for each DEO staff member working at the site location. The Board must provide a copy of the staffing structure in an organizational chart to DEO Human Resources annually by July 1 or within 30 days upon changes to the organizational structure related to DEO staff members. All necessary changes to the staffing structure chart will be made by the Parties in a timely fashion.
- c. The Board will provide DEO information and recommendations regarding the performance of DEO staff assigned to the Board pursuant to a procedure developed and implemented by the Parties. The Board shall exercise due care with respect to its submission of information concerning the performance of DEO staff. DEO will act on the information provided by the Board, but the ultimate decision for any personnel action remains with DEO.
- d. DEO staff assigned to the Board are subject to all statutes and rules applicable to State Personnel System employees and all DEO policies including DEO's travel, leave, and time distribution policies. DEO staff assigned to the Board will be required to obtain their local manager's approval prior to taking leave.
- e. The Board shall consult with DEO with regard to any issues that may affect, or be in conflict with, the terms or conditions of the collective bargaining agreement for any DEO staff holding positions covered by a collective bargaining agreement. DEO will provide guidance to the Board upon request for the purpose of ensuring compliance with terms of any applicable collective bargaining agreement.
- f. DEO retains ultimate decision-making authority with respect to wages, salary, benefits, hiring, firing, discipline, and promotion of DEO staff.
- g. The Board will appoint a local personnel liaison for the purpose of coordinating personnel related activities for DEO staff. The personnel liaison must be a DEO staff member. The Board will provide the name and contact information of the designated personnel liaison to the DEO Human Resource Office upon designation of this staff member and thereafter annually or upon changes in the designated staff member.
- h. The Board shall jointly plan with DEO for the use of resources available to each partner to ensure a coordinated and efficient approach to the delivery of customer services. The Board will provide the services outlined in section 445.009, Florida Statutes. The Board will also provide basic and individualized career services pursuant to section 134(c)(2) of WIOA, access to training services pursuant to section 134(c)(3)(D) of WIOA, access to programs and activities carried out by the Board's partners listed in 20 CFR 678.400 through 678.410, including the Employment Service program authorized under WP, as amended by WIOA Title III, services to employers as outlined in 20 CFR 680.140(b)(2), and workforce and labor market information. For clarification purposes, "basic career services" are referred to as "core services" in section 445.009(6)(a)(c), Florida Statutes, and "individualized career services" are referred to as "intensive services" in section 445.009(7), Florida Statutes.
- i. The Board will develop methods for referring individuals between its one-stop operator(s) and its partners for appropriate services and activities.

7. OPEN GOVERNMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY.

a. The Board is subject to Chapters 119 and 286 of the Florida Statutes. The Board is responsible for responding to public records requests and subpoenas. The Board is responsible for ensuring that its staff and agents have a working knowledge of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. The Board agrees to appoint a public records coordinator for the purpose of ensuring that all public records matters are handled appropriately.

b. IF THE BOARD HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF

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CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE BOARD'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, CONTACT DEO'S CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS by telephone at 850-245-7140, via e-mail at <u>PRRequest@deo.myflorida.com</u>, or by mail at Department of Economic Opportunity, Public Records Coordinator, 107 East Madison Street, Caldwell Building, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4128.

- c. The Board will have access to varying types of confidential information as a result of its performance under this Agreement. The Board will protect the confidentiality of any information to which it has access in accordance with applicable law. The Board will obtain guidance from DEO with respect to confidentiality matters. DEO will facilitate the Board's requests for guidance from other state agencies.
- d. Staff of the Board, its agents, contractors, subcontractors and any other entity performing services on behalf of the Board granted access to workforce information systems, including systems containing confidential information, must complete Exhibit B to this Agreement, "Individual Non-Disclosure and Confidentiality Certification Form," prior to accessing said workforce information systems. A copy of each completed form must be retained by the Board and made available to DEO upon request.
- e. Board requests for DEO data must come from Board executive staff to DEO. DEO will not accept data requests from the Board's contractors. DEO will only grant access to DEO-owned systems to staff of the Board, its agents, contractors, subcontractors and entities performing services on behalf of the Board.
- f. DEO may provide the Board access to RA information on an ongoing basis as a result of the Board's use of shared information systems and the provision of integrated services. Access to such information will typically be at no cost (any cost imposed by DEO will be reflected in a separate agreement between the Parties). Certain RA information is made confidential by section 443.1715, Florida Statutes, and 20 CFR 603.9(b)(1) requires the Board to agree to the following terms as a condition of accessing this information. DEO will immediately suspend or cease providing the Board access to RA information if DEO determines the Board is not in compliance with section 443.1715, Florida Statutes, 20 CFR 603, and the conditions set forth below. DEO may, in its sole discretion, provide access once DEO is satisfied that the Board has cured the deficiency. The Board shall:
 - i. use the information it receives only for purposes authorized by law and consistent with this Agreement;
 - ii. store the information, whether physically or electronically, in such a manner that is secure from unauthorized access;
 - iii. ensure the information is only accessible by authorized individuals that have an actual need to access the information for a legitimate and lawful purpose;
 - iv. ensure that any entity to which the Board further discloses the information complies with these terms;
 - v. not store the information on any portable storage media device (e.g., laptops, external hard drives, thumb drives, iPads, tablets, or smartphones, etc.);
 - vi. to the extent practicable, and considering the arrangement in place under this Agreement (shared information systems), destroy the information after the purpose for which it is disclosed is accomplished in accordance with 20 CFR 603.9(b)(1)(vi). However, the Board may not seek to delete information from DEO's information systems;
 - vii. to the extent practicable, and considering the arrangement in place under this Agreement, maintain a system sufficient to allow DEO to conduct an audit of transactions concerning the information;
 - viii. ensure all individuals obtaining access to the information are aware of the penalties established by section 443.1715, Florida Statutes, and acknowledges that all individuals have been so instructed through the execution of this Agreement; and
 - allow DEO or its representatives access to conduct onsite inspections to ensure the Board's compliance with section 443.1715, Florida Statutes.
- g. The Board will immediately notify DEO of any breach of security, as defined by section 501.171, Florida Statutes, occurring in any operation under its control. If the breach of security concerns data belonging to DEO, DEO reserves to right to determine whether the provisions of section 501.171, Florida Statutes, apply. DEO will

determine if notifications are necessary and, if so, the procedure for making, and the content included in, those notifications. The Board will provide the notifications if deemed necessary by DEO and will not provide said notifications without prior approval from DEO. DEO will not unreasonably withhold approval to send notifications and will make all decisions regarding said notifications as quickly as possible and consistent with the timelines in section 501.171, Florida Statutes. The Board is responsible for all fees and costs incurred due to a breach of security occurring in an operation, program, or physical setting under the Board's control, including, but not limited to, the cost of sending breach notifications.

8. BACKGROUND SCREENINGS.

- a. Level 1 Screenings.
 - i. The Board will require and obtain a Level 1 background screening as a condition of employment or contract award for all Board, career center staff, contractors, and subcontractors. Additionally, the Board will require and obtain a Level 1 background screening for all individuals performing financial management activities. The Level 1 background screening must be conducted prior to employment or, for contract awards, prior to contractor's employees beginning work. The Level 1 background screening must be conducted at least every five years of consecutive employment, and upon re-employment in all circumstances (including assignment to a new or different contract for Board contractors). The Board will develop a policy for implementing background screenings.
 - ii. The Level 1 background screenings are further explained in section 435.03, Florida Statutes. The Board will contract with an FDLE-approved provider to perform the Level 1 background screenings. The Board is responsible for all costs associated with obtaining the Level 1 background screening described in this section.
 - iii. The Board will maintain its background screening material in a locked file cabinet or other secure location and store the material separately from any official employee personnel file. The Board will protect the confidentiality of the screening materials as required by law or contract.
 - iv. The Board is responsible for maintaining a current list of all individuals for whom it has obtained a Level 1 background screening. The list must include, but need not be limited to, the name of the individual, the last four digits of the individual's social security number, the date the screening was completed, the date the results of the screening were reviewed, and the individual responsible for reviewing and approving the employment or access granted to the individual that was the subject of the screening.

b. Level 2 Screenings.

- i. The Board shall identify and disclose to DEO all Board staff positions that may be granted access to confidential data, including confidential data stored in the information systems used by workforce service providers to manage and report participant information. The Board must review all Board staff positions to determine if the positions should be designated as a position of Special Trust. Positions determined by DEO to be positions of special trust, and all employees placed or considered for placement in a Board Special Trust Positions and Level 2 background screening as set forth more specifically below. For all Board Special Trust Positions, only a Level 2 background screening is necessary.
- ii. Level 2 background screenings are necessary to ensure individuals with criminal convictions or individuals that are under criminal investigation or become under criminal investigations related to theft, fraud, forgery, embezzlement, crimes of violence or any similar matters are not approved for access to confidential information. This includes individuals who plea or pleaded nolo contendere or no contest to such charges or offenses; negative information of this type may disqualify a person from being granted access to confidential information under this Agreement. The Level 2 background screenings must include a state and National Criminal Information Center check through the Federal Bureau of Investigations with no negative results to the above type of offenses/convictions.
- ii. For Board employees that have not had a Level 2 background screening within the past five years and who are currently employed in a Board Special Trust Position, the Board shall transmit a list of those employees in the method prescribed by DEO, in form and substance acceptable to DEO, within 45 days after request by DEO. DEO and the Board shall coordinate to establish a timeline to conduct all level 2 background screenings for current Board employees in a Board Special Trust Position. If the Board

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intends to place a new employee in a Board Special Trust Position, then the Board shall require that employee undergo a Level 2 background screening prior to any offer of employment. The Level 2 background screening must be conducted at least every five years of consecutive employment and upon re-employment in all circumstances.

iv. State merit staff shall undergo Level 2 background screenings pursuant to the standards specified in section 435.04, Florida Statutes, as a pre-condition of employment. DEO will assist the Board in obtaining state merit staff the required Level 2 background screenings pursuant to DEO's established processes and procedures. The Level 2 background screening must be conducted at least every five years of consecutive employment and upon re-employment in all circumstances.

9. LOCAL PLAN AND ASSURANCES.

a. The Board must submit and receive approval of local plans which outline the Board's delivery and administration of all workforce services delivered within its LWDA. The plan must identify and describe the policies, procedures, and local activities that are carried out in the LWDA consistent with the state plan and must contain all content required by DEO. Further, the plan must describe the Board's methods for ensuring the needs of workers and youth, and individuals with barriers to employment, including individuals with disabilities, are addressed in the provision of necessary and appropriate access to services, including access to technology and materials, made available through the one-stop delivery system. The Board will continue to develop and update its local plan in accordance with applicable provisions of law and as directed by DEO or the State Board.

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- b. E-Verify is an Internet-based system that allows an employer, using information reported on an employee's Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification, to determine the eligibility of all new employees hired to work in the United States. There is no charge to employers to use E-Verify. The Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system can be found at: https://www.e-verify.gov/xecutive Order 11-116, signed May 21, 2011, by the Governor of Florida, requires DEO to use the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system. The Board shall utilize the E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees after the Effective Date.
- c. In accordance with 448.095, F.S., the State of Florida expressly requires the following:
 - . Every public employer, contractor, and subcontractor shall register with and use the E-Verify system to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees. A public employer, contractor, or subcontractor may not enter into a contract unless each party to the contract registers with and uses the E-Verify system.
 - ii. A private employer shall, after making an offer of employment which has been accepted by a person, verify such person's employment eligibility. A private employer is not required to verify the employment eligibility of a continuing employee hired before January 1, 2021. However, if a person is a contract employee retained by a private employer, the private employer must verify the employee's employment eligibility upon the renewal or extension of his or her contract.
- d. If an entity does not have an E-Verify MOU in effect, the entity shall enroll in the E-Verify system prior to hiring any new employee or retaining any contract employee after the effective date of this Agreement.
 - i. After the Effective Date, and for all current employees, prior to any promotion or during that employee's Level 1 or Level 2 background reservening, the Board shall use the E-Verify system.

10. PROCUREMENT.

a. If the Board enters into a contract in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more, in accordance with the requirements of section 287.135, Florida Statutes, the Board will obtain a certification that the contractor is not listed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or is engaged in a boycott of Israel, the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, or meets the conditions for exemption as provided in section 287.135(4), Florida Statutes. These lists are created pursuant to sections 215.4725 and 215.473, Florida Statutes. The Board certifies that it is in compliance with this provision. Upon request, DEO will provide a form the Board

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- b. If the Board is affiliated with a local government entity, it will ensure compliance with section 287.133(2)(a), Florida Statutes. Any person or affiliate, as defined by that section of the Florida Statutes, placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a response to any solicitation for the provision of goods or services to the Board. The Board will not accept any solicitation response from such an entity and will not award a contract in excess of \$35,000 for a period of 36 months from the date an entity is placed on the convicted vendor list. Upon request, DEO will provide an attestation form the Board may utilize in connection with any procurement for the purposes of ensuring compliance with this paragraph.
- c. The Board will not accept responses to procurement solicitations from, or award a contract to, any entity that appears on the discriminatory vendor list described in section 287.134, Florida Statutes. DEO recommends the Board include a clause in all procurement solicitations and contracts that the respondent or contractor is not on the state's discriminatory vendor list.
- d. DEO encourages the Board to seek goods and services through the Prison Rehabilitative Industries and Diversified Enterprises, Inc. (PRIDE), and from RESPECT of Florida (products and services produced by individuals with disabilities).
- e. The Board will obtain prior written approval from DEO prior to purchasing any information technology resource or conducting any activity that will, in any way, access DEO data and DEO-owned systems. To ensure statewide efficiency of funding, prior approval from DEO must also be obtained prior to requesting any changes or enhancements to Employ Florida.
- f.— The Board shall comply with the procurement standards in 2 CFR 200.318 200.326 when procuring property and services under this Agreement. The Board shall impose its obligations under this Agreement on its contractors, specifically or by reference, so that such obligations will be binding upon each of its contractors. The Board shall maintain oversight of all activities under this Agreement and shall ensure that for any procured contract or agreement, its contractors perform according to the terms and conditions of the procured contracts or agreements, and the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- The Board may not purchase memberships or enter into any agreements with the Florida Workforce Development Association with funds provided by DEO. The Board may pay for registration dues in conjunction with training, including but not limited to the annual Summit provided by the Florida Workforce Development Association.

Fig. Funds expended for events must be compliant with 2 CFR 200.421, and DEO's Guidance on Use of Funds for the Purchase of Outreach/Informational Items (FG-OGM-84). Documentation must be retained to support the cost of the funds expended and must demonstrate that the costs are reasonable and necessary to connect individuals to employment and training services.

11. COMPENSATION AND TRAVEL.

- a. Funds provided by DEO may not be used to fund the salary, bonus, or incentive of any employee in excess of Federal Executive Level II, regardless of the funding source.
- b. No changes to compensation for executive staff of the Board are allowed without documented Board approval and must be in alignment with local policies and procedures. The Board shall ensure that all bonuses, pay raises, and benefits are reasonable and necessary for the successful performance of the award and are a prudent use of federal funds.
- c. The Board shall comply with section 445.007(10), Florida Statutes, and the following per diem and travel expense provisions, consistent with section 112.061, Florida Statutes:

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- i. Board members may receive reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses pursuant to section 112.061, Florida Statutes.
- ii. Lodging expenses for an employee of the Board may not exceed the daily limit for that of employees of the State of Florida, excluding taxes and fees, unless the Board is participating in a negotiated group rate discount or the Board obtains and maintains documentation of at least three comparable alternatives demonstrating that such lodging at the required rate is not available. However, an employee of the Board may expend his or her own funds for any lodging expenses over the limit for employees of the State of Florida.
- iii. The Board shall ensure that travel and expense reimbursements made to vendors and subrecipients are in accordance with the Board's travel and expense policy. The Board's travel and expense policy must ensure that vendor reimbursements are made at the lowest possible cost necessary to ensure a reasonable level of service, comfort, and security.

12. BOARD GOVERNANCE, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND TRANSPARENCY.

- a. The Board shall ensure that the local area designation complies with the requirements outlined in the federal law (WIOA) and applicable state policy.
- b. The following information must be posted on the Board's website in a manner easily accessed by the public:
 - i. Notice of all Board meetings at least seven days before the meeting is to occur. Notice of special board meetings must be posted at least 72 hours before the meeting is to occur.
 - ii. <u>Current Bemployee</u> positions and salary information for each position (including any benefits and performance bonuses).
 - iii. A plain language version of any contract that is estimated to exceed \$35,000 with a private entity, municipality, city, town, or vendor of services, supplies, or programs, including marketing, or for the purchase or lease or use of lands, facilities, or properties for the last-five most recent years.
 - iv. A list of all <u>current Bb</u>oard members, company or entity that the Board member is employed by or owns, and their terms of service.
 - v. Interlocal agreement(s), as applicable.
 - vi. Single Audit for the last two most recent years.
 - vii. Board meeting and committee minutes within 15 days of Board approval with last-two most recent years of board meeting minutes posted on the website.
 - vii.viii. Tax return for the last two most recent years.-

viii.ix.__All active agreements with another board that delegates partial or complete responsibility for any duties the Board is expected, required, or mandated to perform under this Agreement or WIOA, even if the cost is not expected to exceed \$35,000.

- c. The Board shall comply with the requirements of 2 CFR 25 Universal Identifier and System for Award Management (SAM). The Subrecipient must have an active registration in SAM in accordance with 2 CFR part 25, appendix A, and must have a Data Universal Numbering System number. The Subrecipient must also comply with provisions of the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act, which includes requirements on executive compensation and 2 CFR 170 Reporting Subaward and Executive Compensation Information.
- d. In compliance with sections 39.201 and 415.1034, Florida Statutes, if the Board, its agents, employees, contractors, subcontractors or any other entity performing the services on behalf of the Board, knows or has reasonable cause to suspect that a child, aged person, or disabled adult is or has been abused, neglected, or exploited, the Board agrees to immediately report such knowledge or suspicion to the Florida Abuse Hotline by calling 1-800-96ABUSE, or via the web reporting option at http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/abuse/report, or via fax at 1-800-914-0004.
- e. Consistent with 2 CFR 200.113, the Board must, within one business day of discovery, disclose any violation of federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the federal award. Additionally, the Board shall disclose any other on-going civil or criminal litigation, investigation, arbitration, or administrative proceeding upon execution of this Agreement. For purposes of this paragraph, "discovery" means

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when the Board has knowledge of or should reasonably know that there has been a violation of federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the federal award.

- f. For all funds provided by DEO, when issuing statements, press releases, requests for proposals, bid solicitations and other documents describing projects or programs funded in whole or in part with federal money, the Subrecipient shall clearly state (i) the percentage of the total costs of the program or project which will be financed with federal money; (ii) the dollar amount of federal funds for the project or program; and (iii) the percentage and dollar amount of the total costs of the project or program that will be financed by non-governmental sources. Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2018, Pub. L. No. 115-141, 132 Stat. 348, div. H, Title V, Sec. 505 (Mar. 23, 2018).
- g. In compliance with section 286.25, Florida Statutes, the Board will ensure any nongovernmental organization which sponsors a program financed, in whole or in part, with funds provided under this Agreement will, in publicizing, advertising, or describing the sponsorship of the program, state: "Sponsored by (entities name) and the State of Florida, Department of Economic Opportunity." If the sponsorship reference is in written form, the words "State of Florida, Department of Economic Opportunity" will appear in the same size letters or type as the name of the entity.

13. ETHICS.

- a. The Board shall adopt an employee ethics code modeled after the provisions of Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, and shall name a Chief Ethics Officer. The Officer shall be responsible for the periodic training of Board staff and for maintaining the Ethics Code and for, which addresses:
 - i. The acceptance of gifts;
 - ii. Self-dealing;
 - iii. A prohibition on unauthorized compensation;
 - iv. Conflicting employment or contractual relationships;
 - v. Appropriate disclosure and use of information; and
 - vi. Nepotism.
- b. The Board will adopt and abide by a conflict of interest policy that ensures compliance with state and federal law and applicable State Board and DEO policies. The Board will make reasonable modifications to the policy if requested by DEO. The Board must ensure that adequate firewalls are in place to prevent actual or perceived conflicts of interest, poor internal controls, or the appearance of impropriety.
- c. The Board must ensure grievance procedures and Equal Opportunity representation, consistent with 20 CFR 683.285, is available and made known to staff, participants, and other interested parties in the local workforce development system. The Board must also adopt a whistle blower policy that facilitates the reporting of violations of policy or law without fear of retaliation.
- d. The Board will comply with sections 11.062 and 216.347, Florida Statutes. The Board will not, in connection with this or any other agreement with the state, directly or indirectly: (1) offer, confer, or agree to confer any pecuniary benefit on anyone as consideration for any state officer or employee's decision, opinion, recommendation, vote, or other exercise of discretion, or violation of a known legal duty; or (2) offer, give, or agree to give to anyone any gratuity for the benefit of, or at the direction or request of, any state officer or employee. For purposes of this paragraph, "gratuity" means any payment of more than a nominal monetary value in the form of cash, travel, entertainment, gifts, meals, lodging, loans, subscriptions, advances, deposits of money, services, employment, or contracts of any kind. DEO encourages the Board to contact the Florida Commission on Ethics for any questions regarding its compliance with this paragraph.
- Prohibition on Lobbying. The Subrecipient shall not, directly or indirectly, expend either state or federal funds either (i) for the purpose of lobbying any branch, unit, or instrumentality of the state or federal governments, or (ii) for any otherwise allowable purpose which could result in unauthorized lobbying.

14. LOCAL BOARD COMPOSITION, BOARD MEMBER SELECTION AND TRAINING.

- a. The Board must ensure that the local workforce board composition is compliant with all federal and state laws, polices, procedures, and rules.
- b. The Board, in consultation with the CLEO, must develop and implement clear processes and procedures for recruiting, vetting, and nominating Board members and documenting their qualifications in alignment with the requirements of WIOA, and compliant with all federal and state laws, polices, procedures, and rules.
- c. The Board shall prohibit any Board staff from serving as members of a committee or subcommittee of the Board.
- d. The Board shall ensure Board members complete mandatory Board orientation and training. The Board shall take all reasonable steps necessary to encourage attendance by the CLEO at Board orientation and training. The Board shall retain and provide to DEO upon request the dates of training and sign-in sheets (or other evidence of attendance) of training participants.
- **15. RELATED PARTIES.** The purpose of this section is to help DEO ensure transparency and accountability, to prevent impropriety or the appearance of impropriety in public business, and to limit the possibility of the improper expenditure of state or federal funds.
 - a. <u>Related Parties</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, "Related Party" includes any: Board member; Board employee or staff; relative of any Board member or employee or staff; any organization represented by or employing a Board member or employee or staff; any organization, the board of directors of which a Board member or employee or staff holds a board position; or any vendor with which a Board member has a relationship.
 - b. <u>Related Party Contract</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, "Related Party Contract" means any relationship, transaction, or expenditure, contractual in nature, which results in or could result in an expenditure of state or federal funds by the Board with a Related Party. The term "Related Party Contract" does not include retail purchases made in the ordinary course of business or payments for utility services.
 - c. <u>Related Parties Compliance</u>. The Board shall comply with section 445.007(11), Florida Statutes. The Board and its employees must annually disclose to DEO's financial monitors –any conflicts of interest that may arise or <u>actually arose</u> during the upcoming year or that did arise in the <u>current year and was not previously disclosed</u>.
 - i. Prior to entering into any Related Party Contract with any Related Party, the proposed Related Party Contract must be brought before the Board for consideration and approval. The Board shall ensure that (i) the Board member or employee with the conflict removes himself or herself from the room prior to any discussions at any meeting, including subcommittee meetings, involving the contract; (ii) the Board member or employee with the conflict is not physically present during the voting; and (iii) _ the Board member with the conflict abstains from any vote regarding the Related Party Contract.
 - ii. If the disclosure was not made prior to the meeting because the conflict was unknown prior to the meeting, the Board shall ensure that disclosure is made at the next possible meeting after knowledge of the conflict becomes available.
 - d. <u>Completion of Forms</u>. For each Related Party Contract, the Board must ensure that the forms attached hereto as Exhibits C and D are completed, dated, executed, and certified prior to execution of the contract or incurring of expenditures for the current fiscal year. Exhibits C and D must be submitted at or before the Board meeting in which the vote is to take place for board members and employees of the board who have any conflict of interest with the contracting vendor. For conflicts unknown at the time of entering into the Related Party Contract, the Board shall ensure that completed forms of Exhibits C and D are filed within 15 days after the disclosure with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting. The disclosure shall be incorporated into the minutes of the meeting at which the oral disclosure was made. If the Related Party Contract, Exhibits C and D must be submitted annually to DEO for approval prior to the beginning of the next fiscal year.

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- e. <u>Related Party Contracts \$25,000 or Greater</u>. DEO may disapprove, in its sole discretion, any contract for the Board's failure to submit any required document or form as required by this section. Prior to execution of any contract equal to or greater than \$25,000, the Board must approve and electronically submit the documentation set forth below, along with completed copies of the forms attached hereto as Exhibits C and D, to <u>WorkforceContract.Review@deo.myflorida.com</u>.
- E. <u>Related Party Contracts Less Than \$25,000</u>. Within 30 days after execution of any contract less than \$25,000, the Board must approve and electronically submit a certified board membership roster listing all members on the Board at the time of the vote on the approval of the contract with a vote tally indicating attendance or absence at the meeting. For those in attendance, the affirmative and negative votes and abstentions for each member, along with completed copies of the forms attached hereto as Exhibits C and D, must be submitted to <u>WorkforceContract.Review@deo.myflorida.com</u>.

16. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS.

- a. This Agreement will be construed, performed, and enforced in all respects in accordance with the laws, rules, and regulations of the State of Florida. Each Party will perform its obligations herein in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement. The exclusive venue of any legal or equitable action that arises out of or relates to this Agreement will be either the Division of Administrative Hearings or the appropriate state court in Leon County, Florida. In any such action, the Parties waive any right to jury trial.
- b. Should any term of this Agreement conflict with any applicable law, rule, or regulation, the law, rule, or regulation will control over the provisions of this Agreement.
- c. The Board is fully liable for its actions, and the actions of the Board's officers, agents, contractors and employees. The Board will indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the state, the State Board, and DEO, and their respective officers, agents, and employees from any suit, action, damage, judgment, and costs of every name and description, including attorney's fees, arising from or relating to any action of the Board.
- d. If any provision of this Agreement, whether in whole or in part, is held to be void or unenforceable by a Court of competent jurisdiction, that provision will be enforced only to the extent that it is not in violation of law or is not otherwise unenforceable, and all other provisions will remain in full force and effect.
- e. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which will be an original and all of which will constitute but one and the same instrument.
- f. Any amendment or modification to the terms of this Agreement must be in written form signed by both Parties.
- g. Annually before July 1 of each state fiscal year, the Board shall adopt a schedule of operations for the upcoming state fiscal year. Such schedule of operations shall include, but is not limited to, daily hours of operation of one-stop operators, and a holiday closure schedule which adopts either the federal, state, or appropriate county holiday schedule. If the Board has a career center that is affiliated with a college or university, the college or university schedule may be adopted for those centers. The proposed schedule must be approved by the Board and posted on the Board's website in a conspicuous, easily-accessible manner. The Board must give prior approval to any deviations from the schedule, except in emergency or reasonably unforeseeable circumstances (e.g., an order of the President or Governor, total loss of facilities from a catastrophic natural or man-made disaster, etc.). If emergency circumstances exist which result or could foreseeably result in a shutdown, the Board shall ensure that DEO and the State Board are informed within 48 hours of such shutdown or potential shutdown.
- g-h. The GranteeBoard shall submit an Annual Report (Exhibit E), including the most recent IRS Form 990, detailing the total compensation for the BoardGrantee's executive leadership team(s). Total compensation shall include salary, bonuses, cash-in leave, cash equivalents, severance pay, retirement benefits, deferred compensation, real property gifts and any other payout. All compensation reports must indicate what percent of compensation comes directly from the State or Federal allocations. The annual report will be due to DEO 30 calendar days after the

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submittal of the 990 form to the IRS. The GranteeBoard must inform DEO of any changes in total executive compensation between annual reports within 60 calendar days of the change.

- 17. SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES. The Board shall designate at least one staff member for the LWDA to promote and develop employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities to ensure that job counseling and placement efforts are made for such individuals.
- 18. SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS WITH LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY. The Board shall establish a policy and procedure for providing free language services to customers that have a limited ability to read and/or speak the English language.
- 19. RESPONSE TO CUSTOMER SERVICE COMPLAINTS. DEO will forward any customer concerns or complaints about the Board received directly or forwarded from the Governor's or legislative offices, to the Board staff for review. Board staff will investigate the complaint in a timely manner, take appropriate action, and report the action in writing to DEO so that the complaint can be closed.

20. LIAISONS.

- a. The Parties acknowledge they have a close working relationship and that neither Party desires an overlybureaucratic or formal communication structure. To that effect, the Parties may communicate with each other through any appropriate liaison, as context may dictate.
- b. DEO's formal liaison for purposes of this Agreement is Caroline ("Tisha") Womack. Ms. Womack can be reached at Caroline.Womack@deo.myflorida.com or (850) 245–7126. All communication for which the Parties' course of dealing does reveal a more appropriate liaison will be directed to Ms. Womack, or other designee.
- c. The Board's formal liaison for purposes of this Agreement is <u>finsert name} for Paterno.</u> Joe Paterno for Paterno for purposes of this Agreement is <u>finsert name}</u> or <u>(239) 225 2500 finsert phone number</u>. All communication for which the Parties' course of dealing does reveal a more appropriate liaison will be directed to <u>finsert name}</u> or other designee.
- d. If different liaisons are designated by either Party after the execution of this Agreement, notice of the name, telephone number, and email address of the new liaison shall be provided in writing to the other Party and said notification shall be attached to this Agreement.
- 21. REQUIRED LOCAL POSITIONS. Appointed individuals may serve in more than one capacity or perform other job duties and functions, as appropriate, to the extent that no conflict of interest arises or may arise. The Board shall appoint:
 - a. A Regional Security Officer.
 - b. A custodian for purchased property and equipment.
 - c. A personnel liaison (must be a DEO merit staff member).
 - d. A public records coordinator.
 - e. An Equal Opportunity Officer, consistent with 29 CFR part 38.
 - f. An Ethics Officer
- 22. CONSTRUCTION; INTERPRETATION. The title of and the section and paragraph headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not govern or affect the interpretation of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement. The term "this Agreement" means this Agreement together with all Exhibits hereto, as the same may from time to time be amended, modified, supplemented, or restated in accordance with the terms hereof. The use in this Agreement of the term "including" and other words of similar import mean "including, without limitation" and where specific language is used to clarify by example a general statement contained herein, such specific language shall not be deemed to modify, limit, or restrict in any manner the construction of the general statement to which it relates. The word "or" is not exclusive and the words "herein," "hereof," "hereunder," and other words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole, including any Exhibits, and not to any particular section, subsection,

paragraph, subparagraph, or clause contained in this Agreement. The use herein of terms importing the singular shall also include the plural, and vice versa. The reference to an agreement, instrument, or other document means such agreement, instrument, or other document as amended, supplemented, and modified from time to time to the extent permitted by the provisions thereof and the reference to a statute means such statute as amended from time to time and includes any successor legislation thereto and any regulations promulgated thereunder. All references to "\$" shall mean United States dollars. The recitals of this Agreement are incorporated herein by reference and shall apply to the terms and provisions of this Agreement and the Parties. Time is of the essence with respect to the performance of all obligations under this Agreement. The Parties have participated jointly in the negotiation and drafting of this Agreement. If an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises, this Agreement shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the Parties, and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring any Party by virtue of the authorship of any of the provisions of this Agreement.

- 23. PRESERVATION OF REMEDIES; SEVERABILITY; RIGHT TO SET-OFF. No delay or omission to exercise any right, power, or remedy accruing to either Party upon breach or default by either Party under this Agreement will impair any such right, power, or remedy of either Party nor will such delay or omission be construed as a waiver of any breach or default or any similar breach or default. If any term or provision of this Agreement is found to be illegal, invalid, or unenforceable, such term or provision will be deemed stricken, and the remainder of this Agreement will remain in full force and effect. DEO and the State shall have all of its common law, equitable and statutory rights of set-off, including, without limitation, the State's option to withhold for the purposes of set-off any moneys due to the Board under this Agreement up to any amounts due and owing to DEO with respect to this Agreement, any other contract with any state department or agency, including any contract for a term commencing prior to the term of this Agreement, plus any amounts due and owing to the State shall exercise its set- off rights in accordance with normal state practices including, in cases of set-off pursuant to an audit, the finalization of such audit by the state or its representatives.
- 24. ENTIRE AGREEMENT; AMENDMENT; WAIVER. This Agreement embodies the entire agreement of the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. There are no provisions, terms, conditions, or obligations other than those contained in this Agreement, and this Agreement supersedes all previous communications, representations, or agreements, either verbal or written, between the Parties. No amendment will be effective unless reduced to writing and signed by an authorized officer of the Board and the authorized agent of DEO. No waiver by any Party of any of the provisions hereof shall be effective unless explicitly set forth in writing and signed by the Party so waiving. No waiver by any Party shall operate or be construed as a waiver in respect of any failure, breach or default not expressly identified by such written waiver, whether of a similar or different character, and whether occurring before or after that waiver. No failure to exercise, or delay in exercising, any right, remedy, power, or privilege arising from this Agreement shall operate or be construed as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power, or privilege hereunder preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power, or privilege.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, by signature below, the Parties acknowledge they have read this Agreement and the attachments hereto, understand each section and paragraph, agreed to abide by the terms of this Agreement, and intend that this Agreement become effective as described above.

By:

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

[LWDB Chairperson or person with authority to sign on behalf of LWDB (verify authority if not chairperson)]

Dy. _

Printed Name: <u>Ken LawsonDane Eagle</u> Title: <u>Executive Director</u>

Signature

Signature Printed Name: [insert name] Title: [insert title] Date:

Date:

Acknowledged by the Chief Local Elected Official:

Printed Name: [insert name]

Title: <mark>[insert title]</mark>

Date: _____

EXHIBIT A AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

The administration of resources awarded by the Department of Economic Opportunity (Department or DEO) to the recipient may be subject to audits and/or monitoring by DEO as described in the Agreement and as described further in this Exhibit. No provision of the Agreement is intended to limit the terms of this Exhibit, and no provision in this Exhibit is intended to limit the terms of the Agreement. The term "contract," as used throughout this Exhibit, means the Agreement, and any individual subaward granted to the recipient through a Notice of Fund Availability (NFA).

MONITORING. In addition to reviews of audits conducted in accordance with 2 CFR 200, Subpart F - Audit Requirements, and section 215.97, Florida Statutes (F.S.), as revised (see AUDITS below), monitoring procedures may include, but not be limited to, on-site visits by DEO staff, limited scope audits as defined by 2 CFR §200.425, or other procedures. By entering into this agreement, the recipient agrees to comply and cooperate with any monitoring procedures or processes deemed appropriate by DEO. In the event DEO determines that a limited scope audit of the recipient regarding such audit. The recipient further agrees to comply and cooperate with any inspections, reviews, investigations, or audits deemed necessary by the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) or Auditor General.

AUDITS.

PART I: FEDERALLY FUNDED. This part is applicable if the subrecipient is a state or local government or a nonprofit organization as defined in 2 CFR §200.90, §200.64, and §200.70.

- 1. A recipient that expends \$750,000 or more in federal awards in its fiscal year must have a single or program-specific audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of 2 CFR 200, Subpart F Audit Requirements. EXHIBIT A to this form lists the federal resources awarded through DEO by this agreement. In determining the federal awards expended in its fiscal year, the subrecipient shall consider all sources of federal awards, including federal resources received from DEO. The determination of amounts of federal awards expended should be in accordance with the guidelines established in 2 CFR §200.502-503. An audit of the subrecipient conducted by the Auditor General in accordance with the provisions of 2 CFR §200.514 will meet the requirements of this Part.
- 2. For the audit requirements addressed in Part I, paragraph 1, the subrecipient shall fulfill the requirements relative to auditee responsibilities as provided in 2 CFR §§200.508-512.
- 3. A recipient that expends less than \$750,000 in federal awards in its fiscal year is not required to have an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of 2 CFR 200, Subpart F Audit Requirements. If the subrecipient expends less than \$750,000 in federal awards in its fiscal year and elects to have an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of 2 CFR 200, Subpart F Audit Requirements, the cost of the audit must be paid from non-federal resources (i.e., the cost of such an audit must be paid from recipient resources obtained from other than federal entities).

PART II: STATE FUNDED. This part is applicable if the recipient is a nonstate entity as defined by Section 215.97(2), Florida Statutes.

- 1 In the event that the recipient expends a total amount of state financial assistance equal to or in excess of \$750,000 in any fiscal year of such recipient (for fiscal years ending June 30, 2017, and thereafter), the recipient must have a state single or project-specific audit for such fiscal year in accordance with section 215.97, F.S.; Rule Chapter 691-5, F.A.C., State Financial Assistance; and Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) and 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General. EXHIBIT A to this form lists the state financial assistance awarded through DEO by this agreement. In determining the state financial assistance, including state financial assistance received from DEO, other state agencies, and other nonstate entities. State financial assistance does not include federal direct or pass-through awards and resources received by a nonstate entity for federal program matching requirements.
- 2 For the audit requirements addressed in Part II, paragraph 1, the recipient shall ensure that the audit complies with the requirements of section 215.97(8), F.S. This includes submission of a financial reporting package as defined by section 215.97(2), F.S., and Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) and 10.650 (nonprofit

- and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General.
- 3. If the recipient expends less than \$750,000 in state financial assistance in its fiscal year (for fiscal years ending June 30, 2017, and thereafter), an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of section 215.97, F.S., is not required. If the recipient expends less than \$750,000 in state financial assistance in its fiscal year and elects to have an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of section 215.97, F.S., the cost of the audit must be paid from the nonstate entity's resources (i.e., the cost of such an audit must be paid from the recipient's resources obtained from other than state entities).

PART III: OTHER AUDIT REQUIREMENTS. AUDITOR WORK PAPERS ON INTERNAL CONTROLS

The Board will obtain the internal control work papers from the auditor(s) performing its annual independent financial statement audit. The Board will keep these work papers onsite as part of their financial records and will make these records available for review by DEO upon request. The Board further agrees that, upon request, DEO will also be provided other audit work papers as needed.

PART IV: REPORT SUBMISSION.

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1 Copies of reporting packages for audits conducted in accordance with 2 CFR 200, Subpart F - Audit Requirements, and required by Part I of this form shall be submitted, when required by 2 CFR

§200.512, by or on behalf of the recipient directly to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse (FAC) as provided in 2 CFR §200.36 and §200.512.

The FAC's website provides a data entry system and required forms for submitting the single audit reporting package. Updates to the location of the FAC and data entry system may be found at the OMB website.

2 Copies of financial reporting packages required by Part II of this form shall be submitted by or on behalf of the recipient <u>directly</u> to each of the following:

a. DEO at each of the following addresses:

Electronic copies (preferred):	or	Paper (hard copy): <u>Audit@deo.myflorida.com</u>
× × ·		Department Economic Opportunity
		MSC #75, Caldwell Building 107 East Madison
		Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-4126

b. The Auditor General's Office at the following address: Auditor General

Local Government Audits/342 Claude Pepper Building, Room 401 111 West Madison Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1450 The Auditor General's website (https://flauditor.gov/) provides instructions for filing an electronic copy of a financial reporting package.

3 Copies of reports or the management letter required by Part III of this form shall be submitted by or on behalf of the recipient <u>directly</u> to:

Electronic copies (preferred):	or	Paper (hard copy):
Audit@deo.myflorida.com		Department Economic Opportunity
		MSC #75, Caldwell Building 107 East Madison
		Street Tallahassee, FL. 32399-4126

- 4. Any reports, management letters, or other information required to be submitted DEO pursuant to this agreement shall be submitted timely in accordance with 2 CFR §200.512, section 215.97, F.S., and Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) and 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General, as applicable.
- 5. Recipients, when submitting financial reporting packages to DEO for audits done in accordance with 2 CFR 200, Subpart F Audit Requirements, or Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) and 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General, should indicate the date that the reporting package

was delivered to the recipient in correspondence accompanying the reporting package.

PART V: RECORD RETENTION. The recipient shall retain sufficient records demonstrating its compliance with the terms of this Agreement for a period of five (5) years from the date the audit report is issued, or five (5) state fiscal years after all reporting requirements are satisfied and final payments have been received, whichever period is longer, and shall allow DEO, or its designee, CFO, or Auditor General access to such records upon request. The recipient shall ensure that audit working papers are made available to DEO, or its designee, CFO, or Auditor General upon request for a period of five (5) years from the date the audit report is issued, unless extended in writing by DEO. In addition, if any litigation, claim, negotiation, audit, or other action involving the records has been started prior to the expiration of the controlling period as identified above, the records shall be retained until completion of the action and resolution of all issues which arise from it, or until the end of the controlling period as identified above, whichever is longer.

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Attachment 1 to EXHIBIT A

FEDERAL RESOURCES AWARDED TO THE RECIPIENT PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:

1. The specific award information required to be set forth herein will be contained in one or more NFAs issued by DEO pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, which are incorporated herein by reference.

COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO FEDERAL RESOURCES AWARDED PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. All requirements of this Agreement

STATE RESOURCES AWARDED TO THE RECIPIENT PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:

SUBJECT TO SECTION 215.97, FLORIDA STATUTES:

1. The specific award information required to be set forth herein will be contained in one or more NFAs issued by DEO pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, which are incorporated herein by reference.

COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO STATE RESOURCES AWARDED PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. All requirements of this Agreement.

EXHIBIT B

Individual Non-Disclosure and Confidentiality Certification Form

I understand that I will be exposed to certain confidential information for the limited purpose of performing my job. I understand that confidential records may include names (or other personally identifiable information), social security numbers, wage information, reemployment assistance information, employment information, and public assistance information. I understand that this information is confidential and may not be disclosed to others. Prior to receiving access to such information, and any information systems containing such information, I acknowledge and agree to abide by the following standards:

1. I will comply with all security requirements imposed as a condition of use for any system(s) to which I may be granted access.

2. I will use access to the system(s) only for purposes authorized by law within the course and scope of my employment to secure information to conduct program business.

3. I will not disclose my user identification, password, or other information needed to access the system(s) to any party nor shall I give any other individual access to secured information contained within the system(s).

4. If I become aware that any unauthorized individual has or may have obtained access to my user identification, password, or other information needed to access system(s) to which I have been granted access, I will immediately notify the Board's Regional Security Officer.

5. I will store any physical documents containing confidential information in a place that is secure from access by unauthorized persons.

6. I will store and process information maintained in electronic format, such as magnetic tapes, discs, or external drives in such a way that unauthorized persons cannot obtain the information by any means.

7. I will undertake precautions to ensure that only authorized personnel are given access to disclosed information stored in computer system(s).

8. I will not share with anyone any other information regarding access to the system(s) unless I am specifically authorized to do so by the Department of Economic Opportunity.

9. I will not access or request access to any social security numbers, personal information, wage information, employer information, reemployment assistance information, or employment data unless such access is necessary for the performance of my legitimate business duties.

10. I will not disclose any individual data to any parties who are not authorized to receive such data except in the form of reports containing only aggregate statistical information compiled in such a manner that it cannot be used to identify the individual(s) or employers involved.

11. I will not access or divulge information about any personal associates, including relatives, friends, significant others, co-workers, or anyone with whom I reside. I will not provide services to these individuals and will, instead, refer such individuals to other qualified service providers.

12. I will retain the confidential data only for that period of time necessary to perform my public duties. Thereafter, I will either arrange for the retention of such information consistent with federal or state record retention requirements or destroy such data, and any copies made, after the purpose for which the information is disclosed is served. I will do this in such a way so as to prevent the information from being reconstructed,

copied, or used by any means. However, I will not destroy or delete information from information system(s) when such destruction or deletion is outside the scope of my authority.

13. I understand that it is misdemeanor of the second degree to disclose confidential reemployment assistance information to unauthorized persons. I further understand that the Department of Economic Opportunity has process and procedures in place to detect unauthorized access to such information. I understand that it is the practice of the Department of Economic Opportunity to prosecute violations of to the fullest extent of the law.

14. I certify and affirm that I have either (1) received training on the confidential nature of the data to which I am being granted access to, the safeguards required for access privileges, and the penalties involved for any violations; or (2) have received written standards and instructions in the handling of confidential data from my employer or the Department of Economic Opportunity. I will comply with all confidentiality safeguards contained in such training, written standards, or instructions, including but not limited to, the following: a) protecting the confidentiality of my user identification and password; b) securing computer equipment, disks, and offices in which confidential data may be kept; and c) following procedures for the timely destruction or deletion of confidential data.

15. I understand that if I violate any of the confidentiality provisions set forth in the written standards, training, and/or instructions I have received, my user privileges may be immediately suspended or terminated. I also understand that applicable state and/or federal law may provide that any individual who discloses confidential information in violation of any provision of that section may be subject to criminal prosecution and if found guilty could be fined, be subject to imprisonment and dismissal from employment. I have been instructed that if I should violate the provisions of the law, I may receive one or more of these penalties.

Should I have any questions concerning the handling or disclosure of confidential information, I shall immediately ask my supervisor, regional security officer, or One-Stop Operator for guidance and comply with their instructions.

Employee Signature:	Date:	

Print Employee Name:

Address:

Work Telephone:

E-Mail:

EXHIBIT C CONTRACT INFORMATION FORM

This form is to disclose a conflict or potential conflict and to seek approval of a contract involving a conflict or potential conflict of interest of board members or employees. All requested information is required. Failure to provide

complete information may result in disapproval of the contract. , hereby certify the following information regarding a contract that T was approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of a quorum of CareerSource_ will be executed and implemented immediately after receiving the State's approval in compliance with section 445.007(11), Florida Statutes. Identification of all parties to the contract: _____ Contractor Name & Address: Contractor Contact Phone Number: Contract Number or Other Identifying Information, if any: _ Contract Term: Value of the Contract/Renewal/Extension with no extensions or renewals exercised: Value of the Contract with all extensions and renewals exercised: Description of goods and/or services to be procured: _ Method of procurement for the goods and/or services to be procured: Name of board member or employee whose conflict of interest required the board's approval of the contract by two-thirds (2/3) vote: The nature of the conflicting interest in the contract: _____ The board member or employee with the conflict of interest_____ _did _____did not (check one) attend the meeting(s), including subcommittee meetings, at which the board discussed or voted to approve the contract.

The board member or employee with the conflict of interest <u>data</u> data do not (check one) attend the meeting(s), including subcommittee meetings, at which the board discussed or voted to approve the contract. If the board member or employee with the conflict of interest attended the meeting(s), including subcommittee meetings, at which the board discussed or voted on the contract, the board member or employee was not present during the discussion or vote.

I further attest that the following is being provided with this form:

- A certified board membership roster listing all members on the board at the time of the vote on the approval of
 the contract with a vote tally indicating attendance or absence at the meeting(s), including subcommittee meetings,
 and for those in attendance, the affirmative and negative votes and abstentions for each member.
- Consistent with the procedures outlined in section 112.3143, Florida Statutes, the dated and executed conflict of
 interest form that was submitted at or before the board meeting(s) in which a vote related to the contract took
 place, for board member/employee who has any relationship with the contracting vendor.
- A draft copy of the related party contract and amendments, as applicable;
- Documentation supporting the method of procurement of the related party contract; and
- <u>A copy of the board meeting and committee meeting minutes that document the discussion and approval of the related party contract</u>

I certify that the information above is true and correct.

Signature of Board Chair / Vice Chair*

Print Name

* Must be certified and attested to by the board's Chair or Vice Chair.

Date

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EXHIBIT D DISCLOSURE AND CERTIFICATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN A CONTRACT

(circle one or more) could benefit financially from the contract described al Workforce Development Board:	
itractor Name & Address:	_
tractor Contact Phone Number:	
cription or Nature of Contract:	
cription of Financial Benefit*:	
purposes of the above contract the following disclosures are made: The	
tractor's principals**/owners***: (check one)	
have no relative who is a member of the board or an employee of the board; OR	
have a relative who is a member of the board or an employee of the board, whose name is:	
contractor's principals**/owners***isis not (check one) a member of the board. If applicable, t cipal's/owner's name is:	he

Signature of Board Member/Employee

Print Name

Date

* "Benefit financially from a contract" means the special private financial gain to a member, a special private financial gain to any principal which retains the member, the special private financial gain of the parent organization or subsidiary of a corporate principal which retains the member or the special private financial gain to any member's relatives or business associate or to a board employee and such benefit is not remote or speculative.
** "Principal" means an owner or high-level management employee with decision-making authority.
*** "Owner" means a person having any ownership interest in the contractor.

NOTICE: CONFLICTS OF INTEREST REGARDING BOARD MEMBERS AND BOARD EMPLOYEES MUST BE DISCLOSED PRIOR TO THE BOARD'S DISCUSSION OR VOTING TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT. BOARD MEMBERS WHO BENEFIT FINANCIALLY OR BOARD MEMBERS OR EMPLOYEES OF THE BOARD WHO HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CONTRACTING VENDOR MUST NOT BE PRESENT DURING ANY DISCUSSION AT ANY MEETINGS, INCLUDING SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS, INVOLVING THE CONTRACT AND MUST ABSTAIN FROM VOTING OR BEING PRESENT DURING VOTING BY REMOVING HIMSELF OR HERSELF FROM THE ROOM DURING THE PERIOD OF TIME THE VOTES ARE CAST, AND THE CONTRACT MUST BE APPROVED BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE BOARD WHEN A QUORUM HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED. COMPLETION OF THIS FORM DOES NOT IN ANY WAY SUPERSEDE OR SUBSTITUTE FOR COMPLIANCE WITH CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 112.3143, FLORIDA STATUTES, OR SECTION 101(f), WIOA.

EXHIBIT E TOTAL COMPENSATION FOR EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP (Executive Order 20-44)

Entity Name:

Employee						
Name						
Title	-	_	-	-	-	-
Salary		-			-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bonuses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cashed-In						
Leave	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash_						
Equivalents	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash						
Equivalents						
Description	-	-	-	-	-	-
Severance Pay	_	-	_	_	-	_
Retirement						
Benefits	_	-	-	-	-	_
Employer-Paid						
Insurance						
Benefits	-	-	-	-	-	_
Deferred						
Compensation	_	_	_	_	_	_
Real Property						
Gifts	_	_	_	_	_	_
Real Property						
Gifts						
Description	_	_	_	_	_	_
Other Payouts	_	_	_	_	_	_
Other Payouts	_					
Description						
Employer-Paid	_	_	-	-	-	_
Insurance						
Benefits			_		_	
Total						
Compensation						
Accrued Leave	_	_	-	-	-	_
and Holiday						
Benefits			_		_	_
Percentage of						
Total						
Compensation						
from Federal or						
State Funds						
		-	-	-	-	-

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