



**CAREERSOURCE CITRUS LEVY MARION
Executive Committee**

MINUTES

DATE: October 7, 2022
PLACE: College of Central Florida, Enterprise Center
TIME: 2:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Albert Jones
Brandon Whiteman
Carl Flanagan
Charles Harris
Fred Morgan
Jeff Chang
Kimberly Baxley
Pete Beasley

MEMBERS ABSENT

OTHER ATTENDEES

Rusty Skinner, CSCLM
Dale French, CSCLM
Cory Weaver, CSCLM

Cira Schnettler, CSCLM
Bob Stermer, Board Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Brandon Whiteman, Chair, at 2:00 p.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 August 31, 2022, meeting. Charles Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

State/Local Update

Rusty Skinner provided the following update:

- We are assisting CareerSource Flagler Volusia with Hurricane Ian recovery efforts. We have deployed a team of staff and the mobile unit to the Daytona area.
- Ernst and Young has held two meetings with board members and community partners. Rusty Skinner thanked board members that have participated.

Workforce Issues that are Important to our Community

This committee had no items to discuss.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ACTION ITEMS

Engagement with Gray Robinson

Rusty Skinner explained that the Consortium has discussed options for hiring a lobbyist to represent our region as realignment developments occur. Carl Flanagan asked about the out-of-pocket expenses that will be billed in addition to the monthly retainer. Rusty Skinner explained that he is confident this will not be an issue or lead to an exorbitant amount of charges. The Action Sheet will be attached to these minutes.

Al Jones made a motion to approve the contract with Gray Robinson. 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 2:21 p.m.

APPROVED: _____



RECORD OF ACTION/APPROVAL

Executive Committee Meeting Friday, October 7, 2022

TOPIC/ISSUE:

Engagement of lobbyist

BACKGROUND:

As the realignment process moves forward, it is important that our area's position regarding any future workforce footprint be conveyed to the REACH Office and Ernst and Young. Additionally, it is important that we be able to respond to matters as they are shaping in this process.

While staff have connections with our local legislative delegation to keep them informed, it is critical that the position of our Board and Consortium be effectively communicated to the REACH Office and that our approach be positioned to gain our goal of maintaining our current area, or influencing the development of a new area which is favorable to our three counties.

In collaboration with the Consortium Chair, Commissioner Zalak, several calls have been made to firms that could be our representative in this process.

POINTS OF CONSIDERATION:

The firm of Gray-Robinson has a team with relationships to key agencies in the process and their approach is compatible to the management team's.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends entering into the agreement presented by Gray-Robinson, using unrestricted funds.

COMMITTEE ACTION:

Al Jones made a motion to approve the contract with Gray Robinson. Pete Beasley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: