

## **MINUTES**



# Arkansas Apprenticeship Coordination Steering Committee September 12, 2024

#### Meeting Commence

Chairman Kelley Sharp called the meeting to order September 12, 2024, at 12:32 CST.

#### Roll Call

Present:

Heath Harris Bill Roachell
Kelley Sharp Aaron Chastain

David Stephens
Dr. Cathy Riggins

**ABSENT** 

Tracey Chambers Ed Carrington

#### Guest In Attendance

Derrick Daniels -OSD Crystal – LR JATC

Chad Fulmer - Fulmer Kimberely Moore - ABC

Shannon Murphy - UAM Sheri - ACE

Jeanette Smith, Eagle Electric Kristi - PHCC

Stephanie Issacs – OSD Amy - EVERS

Zac Sloan – ACEF Brandy - Conway

#### Approval of Minutes: 1:33

A motion was made by David Stephens and seconded by Heath Harris to approve the minutes as presented from the August 1, 2024, meeting. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Heath Harris and seconded by David Stephens to approve the minutes as presented from the August 13, 2024, meeting. Motion passed.

#### DOL Report: 3:46

Mr. Kuznar was unable to attend the meeting. There was no DOL report presented.

#### OSD and TA Report: 4:02

Derrick Daniels presented a review of the FY25 Budget. He shared that, in the near future, John Kuznar, Director of DOL, will be conducting site reviews. Derrick shared the exciting news concerning the newly approved Youth apprenticeship programs with ABC. These programs are already getting much publicity and are expected to be a driving force in workforce development. Bill Roachell, with ABC, will present a report on the Pre-apprenticeship and Youth apprenticeship in the December meeting.

#### Review and Approval of TA Applications: 12:52

Derrick Daniels presented a detailed list of TA Applications. He shared changes from the previous year's applications and highlighted needs. A motion was made by Dr. Riggins and seconded by David Stephens to approve the document as presented with one amendment to line item #216. Motion passed.

#### Approval of Reimbursement Rate for FY25: 52:7

Derrick Daniels presented information concerning the reimbursement rate for FY25. Board discussion was centered around the cap rate of \$40.00 and concern with meeting the available budget. A motion was made by David Stephens and seconded by Heath Harris to set the reimbursement rate at a cap rate of \$40.00 to be reviewed at mid-term. Motion passed.

#### CT Application Approval: 1:17:13

Applications were presented and the board conducted a complete review of the FY25 CT applications. A motion was made by David Stephens and seconded by Heath Harris to approve the applications as presented. Bill Roachell, with ABC, abstained. Motion passed.

#### Open Discussion: 1:27:52

There was no open discussion from attendees online or from the board members.

The next meeting will be held virtually on October 3, 2024. The minutes from this meeting will be submitted by Dr. Riggins prior to the next meeting to be held on October 3, 2024, at 12:30 p.m.

### Adjourn 1:28:33

A motion was made by Aaron Chastian and seconded by Dr. Cathy Riggins to adjourn. Motion passed.