

Workforce Development Board

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Executive Board Meeting February 24, 2022 Hilton Garden Inn

The Executive Board met on Thursday, February 24, 2022 at noon at the Hilton Garden Inn. In attendance were Matt Cooper, Jody Pettit, Rod Castillo, John O'Driscoll, Angel Munson, Brittaney Cole, and Director Cheryl Mayforth.

The agenda for the upcoming March 17, 2022 meeting was reviewed. NYATEP will be present via Zoom for the upcoming meeting. Melinda Mack or Megan Farry will be presenting. Cheryl stated the State of the Workforce report was delivered at the fall conference. It was released in January and it is on the WorkPlace website.

Fred Monaco's replacement on the board was discussed. Don Carlisto is the person who replaced Fred at NYSUT, so he is the logical choice to take over the board seat. Further discussion ensued.

Upcoming resolutions were reviewed and discussed.

March 2, 2022 we are hosting a job fair for NYAB. At least 90 staff are losing their jobs. The job fair will run from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm at NYAB.

Our Spring Job Fair will be held on March 31st at the Ramada Inn. This used to be a chamber event, but they have asked us to take it over. Angel also discussed open recruitments that are coming up in March.

JCC and the Childcare Boot Camp were discussed next. The second round of the Boot Camp will be starting on Tuesdays in March.

JCC truck driving course was completed with four people attending. Cheryl discussed how we run CDL's as OJT's instead of Classroom Training. Customers' must stay employed for 5 quarters after exit to be a success on our performance measures.

Discussion also ensued regarding the fact that DOL workers are still telecommuting and not seeing customers when they are in the office. Unemployment and IDme issues were also talked about.

John stated the electrical union is getting a good response for the apprenticeship program. It is 5 years to complete.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:27 pm.