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Executive Board Meeting March 8, 2024

Hilton Garden Inn

In attendance: Cheryl Mayforth, Director, Matt Cooper, Jody Petitt, Rod Castillo and Rob Aikens.

The agenda for the March 21, 2024 was presented. The board will have a presentation of the 2023 State of the Workforce Report by Megan Farry of NYATEP.

There will be 3 resolutions and those have been sent to Board members.

Dave Zembiec and Rob Aiken served on the search committee to interview for the Assistant Employment Director position. An offer was made and has now been accepted for the individual to begin on May 28, 2024. The person will attend the March 21, 2024 meeting and we will introduce her at that meeting.

The Reauthorization of WIOA to be called the Stronger Workforce for America Act is once again underway. NYATEP has asked that Directors and Boards sign on to a letter with two hesitations and concerns. The first being the proposed 50% training requirement. The second is the demonstration authority which would call for designations of areas. NYATEP does not feel that this will increase training. The letter will be sent to NYS Congressional Representatives.

A motion was made by Rob Aiken and seconded by Rod Castillo and passed to support the letter which needed to be signed by the end of the day.

The group discussed the impact on the April 8 event. Meeting was adjourned.

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