

## **CareerSource Tampa Bay Minutes of Special Executive Committee Meeting**

**Date:** May 14, 2020  
**Location:** ZOOM Meeting

### **Call to Order**

Chair Sean Butler called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. There was a quorum present with the following Executive Committee members participating.

### **Members in Attendance Via Zoom**

Sean Butler, Benjamin Hom, Lindsey Kimball, Randall King, Commissioner Sandra Murman, Roy Sweatman, and Sophia West.

### **Not in Attendance**

N/A

### **Staff Present**

John Flanagan, Juditte Dorcy, Sheila Doyle, Jody Toner, Anna Munro, Doug Tobin, Mimi Tran, Christina Witt, Dan Schneckenburger, Chad Kunerth, Fadhail Ibraheem, and Tammy Stahlgren.

### **Board Counsel**

Jennie Tarr

### **BOCC Liaison/Representative**

Kenneth Jones

The items are listed in the order of discussion.

▶ **Indicates Committee Action**

□ **Indicates Action Needed**

### **Public Comments**

There were none.

### **Information Items**

Information Item #1 CSTB Workforce Operations Update

*(Refer to the Special Executive Committee Agenda Packet of May 14, 2020)*

Mr. Flanagan suggested one more update on the reopening phase. The consensus of the committee agreed that it was a good idea, but was sensitive to Mr. Flanagan and his team's time.

Mr. Flanagan gave an overview of CSTB Phase 1 Opening Plans that will begin on Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020. We had to delay opening from May 12<sup>th</sup> because we did not have approval from DEO to open. We will only open the CareerSource Tampa Bay location at 9215 N. Florida Avenue. Customer capacity is limited to a maximum of 25% during this phase to restrict the customers accessing services in the RR areas. Services will be limited to RA Claim Assistance and Job Search in the Resource Room. In the future, individual appointments for RA Claim Assistance will be available, once they allow LWDB's to assist with direct entry. We have reengineered the building to maintain safe distancing. We have PPE equipment for all staff. A press release has been sent out.

We conducted a staff Town Hall meeting on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 to update staff on the reopening phase. Staff provided some good suggestions and feedback to provide a safe work environment.

The governor waived the work search requirement through May 30, 2020. That will help cut down on center traffic. DEO has very specific requirements for us to follow in order to reopen, we have incorporated those requirements into our plan. Mr. Flanagan has had several media inquiries since the press release has gone out.

Security concerns were discussed, Mr. Flanagan will reach out to Tampa Police Department to assist with crowd control. We have also hired additional armed security officers that will be stationed inside the building.

There was a discussion on when the Governor will require the work search requirement to resume. We are already finding there is a challenge of getting employees to come back to work, some claim they are making more money by staying home and drawing unemployment compensation.

Mr. Flanagan reported, at the last BOCC meeting the county staff presented a reopening phase plan to the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Murman made a motion to direct \$25 million dollars to CareerSource Tampa Bay to assist in getting people back to work. Mr. Flanagan said we believe we will be successful and appreciate the confidence that the county has in us. There will be challenges if the Governor doesn't resume the work search requirement. A budget plan has already been submitted to the county. We are hoping to start the plan on June 1st.

Mr. Flanagan gave a brief summary on the number of current national unemployment stats. The chart shows that the claims are declining. He reviewed the DEO RA Claims Dashboard, the COVID-19 Metrics Report, and the Reemployment Assistance Demographic Chart.

### **Future Business**

None

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:06 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Tammy Stahlgren, Administrative Services Coordinator.