

The Workforce Investment Board – Executive Committee Board Members convened virtually via Teams, February 19th, 2024.

## Call to Order:

Chair Patrick Sullivan called the meeting to order at 2:34 p.m. It was determined that a quorum was present.

Executive Board Members	Present	Agency Represented
Patrick Sullivan	х	Chair, State Workforce Investment Board
John McKay	Х	MS Manufacturers Association
Scott Waller	х	MS Economic Council
Pablo Diaz	х	Vicksburg Warren Economic Dev. Partnership
Nic Parish	Х	Burns Dirt Construction
Donnie Bell		MS House of Representatives
Daniel Sparks	Х	MS Senate
AccelerateMS Staff		
Courtney Taylor	х	Deputy Director for Postsecondary Strategy
Garrett McInnis	х	Deputy Director for External Affairs
Additional Guests		
Catherine Bell	Х	Attorney General's Office

## **Executive Board Members in Attendance:**

A **motion** to approve the agenda was made by Scott Waller and seconded by John McKay Motion carries by unanimous vote.

A **motion** to approve meeting minutes from Executive Committee Meetings on June 1, 2023, July 13, 2023, December 12, 2023 & February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. & approval of Executive Director, Ryan Miller's travel was made by John McKay and seconded by Nic Parish. Motion carries by unanimous vote.

Topics of Discussion:

- 1. February 28th, 2024, SWIB Meeting Agenda
  - a. Chair, Patrick Sullivan shared the purpose of putting these items on the agenda is to present in clear workforce terms what we have accomplished to date, and to acknowledge and address where we see needs.
  - b. Chair, Patrick Sullivan suggested adding to the agenda some resolutions we would like the SWIB board to adopt.
  - c. Scott Waller noted that the date on the agenda is incorrect.

A **motion** to approve the agenda with changes to the incorrect day of the week was made by Pablo Diaz and seconded by Nic Parish. Motion carries by unanimous vote.

- 2. AccelerateMS Executive Director
  - a. Chair, Patrick Sullivan determined they will not be going into Executive Session.
  - b. The Executive Committee had a conversation regarding the new Executive Director at AccelerateMS.

A **motion** to recommend Courtney Taylor for the position of Executive Director, based on the agreement discussed by the Executive Committee, and to share their recommendation to the SWIB at the upcoming meeting on February 28<sup>th</sup>, was made by John McKay and seconded Nic Parish. Motion carries by unanimous vote.

A motion to adjourn was made by Scott Waller and seconded by Pablo Diaz

Meeting was adjourned at 3:17p.m.

Patrick Sullivan, SWIB Chairman