



**MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING
OF THE
YONKERS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
Held on January 31, 2020**

Held at
Hudson River Museum
511 Warburton Avenue
Yonkers, New York 10701

Board Members Present:

William Mascetta
Anthony Ascencao
Lamont Badru
Rev. Dr. Carl Bruce
Nicholas D'Angelo
Taryn Duffy
Ramona Fuentes
Gina Gaines
Linda Heyward
Kris Komorowski
Jaime Martinez
Susan Naber
Donald Quadrino
Felderi Santiago
Atul Sheffey
Camille Valentin

Board Members Excused:

Laurel Birkett
Mark Corpas
Frank DeSantis
Churchill Egone
Richard Halevy (retired)
Charlie Knight
Louis Navarro
Ross Pepe
Amir Rabadi
Bonnie Reyna
Ramon Rodriguez

WDB Staff Present

Sean McGrail, Executive Director
Chanele Harris, Executive Assistant
George Varkey, Fiscal Officer

Guests:

Carol Holman, Center Manager
Linda Patterson, Youth Services
Lillian Morales, Business Liaison
Ed Domingo, ECC by MGM
Owen Condon, ECC by MGM
Gina Cristino, ECC by MGM
Marsha Turchinsky, Hudson River Museum

I. Welcome - Board Chair Mr. William Mascetta

Mr. Mascetta called meeting to order at 9:00am. Mr. Mascetta opened the floor for introduction of Board and Guest.

The minutes of the October 11, 2019 Board Meeting were distributed with corrections to Board members.

Mr. Mascetta announced a motion to accept the minutes of the October 11, 2019 meeting. Ms. Duffy made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 11, 2019 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Komorowski and was then unanimously approved as submitted.

II. Empire City Casino by MGM Resorts Presentation

Mr. Ed Domingo, President & Chief Operating Officer and Taryn Duffy, Vice President Corporate Communications & Public Affairs discussed the Empire City Casino by MGM Resorts. Mr. Mascetta opened the floor for 15 minute Q&A.

Hudson River Museum - Marsha Turchinsky

Ms. Turchinsky discussed her tenure at the Hudson River Museum. Ms. Turchinsky informed the Board of the different exhibitions and events. Ms. Turchinsky also discussed the Junior Docent program.

III. Executive Director – Sean McGrail

Mr. McGrail discussed the NYSDOL biannual review and modifications, if needed, of the 2017 – 2021 Local Plan. There were no changes to the Local Plan. The Local Plan was posted on the City of Yonkers web page for review and question. Mr. McGrail discussed the PY 17 audit letter.

IV. Voting Items

Mr. Mascetta announced a motion to accept the 2017 – 2021 Local Plan.

Mr. Komorowski made a motion to accept the 2017-2021 Local Plan. The motion was seconded by Ms. Naber and was then unanimously approved as submitted.

V. Fiscal Report – George Varkey Fiscal Manager

Mr. Varkey discussed the Budget to Actual.

VI. Operations and Programs Report

Ms. Holman discussed monthly report. Ms. Holman provided Year Round Youth update. Sub-contractors have meet benchmarks. Ms. Holman discussed business collaborations with Empress and Gorton High School.

Summer Youth Coordinator – Chanele Harris

Ms. Harris discussed the opportunity for one of the summer youth participants to attend the 2020 MOS US National Championship at the Gaylord Texan Resort and Convention Center in Dallas, Texas, June 15-17, 2020.

Mr. Mascetta made motion to adjourn meeting. Ms. Heyward made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Naber made second motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM.