## **Business Resources & Opportunities Committee (BROC) Minutes**

Meeting Date: June 7, 2022 (2:00PM) via Zoom

Present: Larry Lombardi, Marcus Cutrell, Krystal Watson, Hillary Robertson(staff), Amber Morse (staff)

Absent: David Loope, David Carroll, Paige Griffin

1. Call to Order: Larry Lombardi called the meeting to order at 2:02 PM

- 2. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from the May 2022 meeting were provided to committee members. A motion to approved was provided by Krystal Watson with a second provided by Marcus Cutrell. With no discussion the minutes were unanimously approved.
- 3. **Update from Larry:** Larry Lombardi reported to the committee that Currituck County has made the decision to not fund his department as of July 1, 2022 and that this would be his last meeting. Amber thanked Larry for chairing the BROC committee and all of the work he has put into the committee and the board as a whole. Amber informed committee members about the committee chair vacancy and requested any interested members reach out to her for more information.
- 4. **Business Services Updates:** Amber reported that Hillary is working independently now and has full access to NCWorks Online. She has been working hard getting Work Experience contracts and planning business tours. Amber reported on the prior and upcoming events in the region. The Elizabeth City Career center hosted a job fair for Food Lion on 5/10 and will be hosting a job fair for the Town of Kill Devil Hills on June 8<sup>th</sup>. NWDB staff attended a multiemployer job fair on 5/25 at John A Holmes High School hosted by the Chamber of Commerce. There were 5 Edenton employers in attendance. NWDB staff also attended a community resource event hosted by EIC at the Perquimans Rec Center on 6/3. This event brought out over 500 families who were at or below poverty level from 13 surrounding counties to provide food, clothes, and other items and speak to resource partners. Amber presented business services metrics and BROC strategic plan update for the month of May. Amber reported OJT interest is increasing and employer registration is up for May higher than any other month she has seen.
- 5. **Open Discussion:** Marcus Cutrell thanked Larry for his committee work and shared his well wishes. Larry closed the meeting thanking the committee members and wishing them well in the future.

Next committee meeting date:

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