

The members of the East Tennessee Human Resource Agency Board of Directors held their regular board meeting on January 13, 2026, at the ETHRA Executive offices, 9111 Cross Park Drive, Suite D-100, Knoxville, Tennessee, 37923.

The following Board members were present:

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| Joe Brooks | Claiborne County |
| Wade Creswell | Roane County |
| Mitch Ingram | Monroe County |
| Jerried Jeffers | Scott County |
| Scott Kitts | Lafollette |
| Brian Langley | Morgan County |
| Lori Phillips-Jones | Oneida |
| Neal Pucciarelli | Claiborne County |

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Acting Chair, Mitch Ingram, opened the meeting and asked if there were any public comments. There were no public comments.

CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chair, Mitch Ingram, called the meeting to order at 10:38 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Acting Chair, Mitch Ingram, asked for the roll call to be conducted. After roll call, the meeting proceeded.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR JANUARY 13, 2026 WAS MADE BY JERRIED JEFFERS AND SECONDED BY BRIAN LANGLEY. THE MOTION PASSED.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes of the previous meeting were mailed and e-mailed to members as part of the agenda package.

MOTION: APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 9, 2025 MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN. MOTION WAS MADE BY SCOTT KITTS AND SECONDED BY BRIAN LANGLEY. THE MOTION PASSED.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer, Wade Creswell, presented the financial report for the period ending NOVEMBER FY 2026. County Executive Creswell asked if there were any questions regarding the financial report; there were no questions.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT ETHRA'S FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD OF NOVEMBER FY 2026. MOTION WAS MADE BY BRIAN LANGLEY AND SECONDED BY NEAL PUCCIARELLI. THE MOTION PASSED.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Acting Chair, Mitch Ingram, reported on the DRAFT Review Audit conducted by the Audit Committee prior to the board meeting. He reported that the audit was a clean audit with no findings. He reported that the Audit Committee approve to bring the draft audit to the full board and accept the audit report.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT ETHRA'S DRAFT AUDIT AS PRESENTED. MOTION WAS MADE BY SCOTT KITTS AND SECONDED BY BRIAN LANGLEY. THE MOTION PASSED.

Director Holiway then introduced Aaron Bradley and Phil Gentile from ETHRA's Office on Aging to discuss the Elder Justice Initiatives and Cryptocurrency ATMs. Many elderly people are being scammed in various ways to send thousands of dollars to the scammer via cryptocurrency ATM's which are popping up in many convenient stores in our area. As soon as the money is inserted into the machine, it can no longer be refunded to original owner.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION OPPOSING OPERATION OF CRYPTOCURRENCY ATM'S WAS MADE BY JOE BROOKS AND SECONDED BY NEAL PUCCIARELLI. THE MOTION PASSED.

OTHER BUSINESS

Director Holiway then reported on the DRAFT General Accounting Policies Update that was presented to the Audit Committee prior to the board meeting. The Audit Committee approved the changes and saw no need to push the changes off until the following month.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICY CHANGES WAS MADE BY SCOTT KITTS AND SECONDED BY JERRIED JEFFERS. THE MOTION PASSED.

Director Holiway announced that Lakeway Transit will be celebrating their 5-year anniversary with a celebration on February 19, 2026 for anyone who would like to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

Acting Chairman Ingram asked if there was any further business and asked for a motion to adjourn. **The motion was made by Brian Langley and seconded by Neal Pucciarelli.** The meeting concluded at 11:20 a.m.

X Brian Langley

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