ETHRA Board Meeting
ETHRA Executive Offices
9111 Cross Park Drive, Suite D-100, Knoxville, TN
February 13, 2024

The members of the East Tennessee Human Resource Agency Board of Directors held their regular board meeting on February 13, 2024, at the ETHRA Executive Offices, 9111 Cross Park Drive, Suite D-100, Knoxville, Tennessee, 37923.

The following Board members were present:

Ron Williams
Glenn Jacobs
Jerried Jeffers
Rob Mathis
Neal Pucciarelli
Mike Byrd
Mark Potts
Joe Brooks
Trey Dykes

City of Farragut
Knox County
Scott County
Cocke County
Cumberland Gap
Grainger County
Jefferson County
Claiborne County
City of Newport

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Ron Williams, called the meeting to order.

### ROLL CALL

Chair Ron Williams, asked for the roll call to be conducted. After roll call, the meeting proceeded.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair, Ron Williams, opened the meeting and asked if there were any public comments. There were no public comments.,

# 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 12, 2023, MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN. MOTION WAS MADE BY JERRIED JEFFERS AND SECONDED BY MARK POTTS. THE MOTION PASSED.

MOTION: APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 11, 2024, MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN. MOTION WAS MADE BY NEAL PUCCIARELLI AND SECONDED BY MIKE BYRD. THE MOTION PASSED.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer, Rob Mathis, presented the financial report for the period ending December FY 2024. Mayor Mathis 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 DECEMBER FY 2024. MOTION WAS MADE BY MARK POTTS AND SECONDED BY JOE BROOKS. THE MOTION PASSED.

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director, Holiway introduced Ms. Renea Hawkins, the newly hired Title V Program Manager. He welcomed her to the meeting and asked everyone to also welcome her to ETHRA.

Mr. Holiway then asked Mr. Aaron Bradley to give an update on the Governor's New Department Legislation regarding AAAD. Mr. Bradley gave a brief update and then asked Mr. Ryan Grubb, AAAD Finance Manager, and Ms. Tracy Armstrong to give a report on the 2024-2025, Area Plan on Aging.

Mr. Grubb reported on the upcoming changes with regard to the financial areas; Ms. Tracy Armstrong gave a report on the 2024-2025 Area Plan updates. Both Mr. Grubb and Ms. Armstrong asked if there were any questions, no questions were asked.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE 2024-2025 AREA PLAN ON AGING AS PRESENTED. MOTION WAS MADE BY NEAL PUCCIARELLI AND SECONDED BY MIKE BYRD. THE MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Bradley then gave an update on Senate Bill 2098 and House Bill 2089. He impressed upon the board how important it was to speak to legislature about these two Bills and to support them.

Mr. Holiway then asked Jessica Stewart, ETHRA's Compliance Officer, to review the updates and amendments on the Grievance Policy.

Ms. Stewart reviewed and reported on the recent edits to the Grievance Policy. She noted that the edits and changes were to ensure that this policy was following the state law.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE UPDATED AND AMENDDED GRIEVANCE POLICY AS PRESENTED. MOTION WAS MADE BY TREY DYKES AND SECONDED BY NEAL PUCCIARELLI. THE MOTION PASSED.

### OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

### ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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