



**KWIB  
Executive Committee  
Meeting**

**AGENDA  
January 10, 2022  
4pm – 5pm EST**

**Via Zoom**

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- Call Meeting to Order / Welcome  
*Kevin Smith, Chair, Beam Suntory*
  
- Review / Approval of Minutes from last meeting 11/3/21  
*Kevin Smith, Chair, Beam Suntory*
  
- Cabinet updates  
*Stefanie Ebbens Kingsley, Executive Director, KWIB*
  
- KWIB Updates  
*Stefanie Ebbens Kingsley, Executive Director, KWIB*
  - 2022 State Plan mod updates /Timeline review
  - Sector Strategies Discussion
  - Good Jobs Challenge updates
  - Family Resource Simulator update
  - Consent voting discussion
  
- New business
  
- Adjournment



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## DRAFT MINUTES

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kevin Smith, Kim Menke, Lori Ulrich, Heidi Margulis, Scott Pierce

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Stefanie Ebbens Kingsley, Scott Secamiglio, Adrian Jacobs, Jacob McAndrews, Debbie Dennison,

### **4:12 PM CALL TO ORDER**

**Kevin Smith, KWIB Chair** called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

11/30/21 minutes provided in pre-read packet and Kevin asked if there were any changes; no changes requested and motion to approve lifted by Scott Pierce and seconded Kim Menke. *Motion carried* unanimously.

**Stefanie Ebbens Kingsley** provided updates on the State Plan modification working groups and the timeline change; modifications now due March 15, 2022. Next meeting is January 19<sup>th</sup> where we should receive recommendations from the working groups as to changes and modifications to the plan language. Next Executive Committee meeting is January 26, 2022 where we will review.

Discussion around sectors and aligning new occupations and broadening the scope to include childcare/early childhood into Healthcare. We would like the Work Ready Scholarships to include childcare/early childhood pathways. Stefanie asked the committee if they would like to create a policy around the review of sectors, annually. Board members wanted to open the conversation not just to Healthcare, and Kim Menke commented that all industries would like the opportunity to expand those occupations. Stefanie recommended to review the all five current sectors, to work with KY Stats on metrics around the sectors and present those metrics to the Executive Committee next meeting. Scott Pierce made motion to proceed on reviewing expansion of all five high demand sectors, and referred the matter to committees for further presentation on metrics and policy and Heidi Margulis seconded the motion. *Motion carried* unanimously.

Additional discussions around sectors and strategy were had. Suggestion to identify common occupations across sectors for the greatest impact was made. Further suggestion to support and present recommended expansion of list to the KWIB in March was made. Motion was made by Scott Pierce and Lori Ulrich seconded the motion. *Motion carried* unanimously.

“Good Jobs Challenge” grant partnerships with Chamber, Education, Office of Employer and Apprenticeship Services and KCTCS continues; while focus on Healthcare, critical care nursing as the target and Advanced manufacturing, including a general manufacturing pathway, in addition to Kentucky’s signature industries of in distilling and AgriTech. Goal is to reward employers who

implement best practices. Stefanie will be meeting with KCMA and the veteran community on how to include SkillBridge (like TPM) into the submission.

**Stefanie Ebbens Kingsley** lifted that at the next Executive Committee meeting, the OLLS (Office of Legal and Legislative Services) would present utilizing a consent agenda in meeting format. This would especially be beneficial for the certifications and approvals of Work Ready Communities reviewed by that committee for approval by the KWIB.

The Family Resource Simulator has been updated by KY Stats and the Workforce Participation and Sustainability committee would like to begin researching policy recommendations. Per the WPS minutes - The Workforce Participation and Sustainability Committee recommends that the KWIB endorse approval of funds to pay for policy analysis related to public benefit eligibility, with a goal of identifying possible policy changes to mitigate the work disincentives which the current public benefit structure presents to many Kentuckians and identify which incentive or work support programs have the largest impact on workforce participation. Heidi Margulis moved to approve research and Kim Menke seconded the motion. *Motion carried* unanimously. Materials for review will be sent to the committee and additional discussion will be had at the next Executive Committee meeting. Funding options to procure services will also need to be gathered.

The next Executive Committee meeting is January 26<sup>th</sup> and KWIB staff will send updated calendar to the committee in post meeting packet.

**ADJOURNMENT 4:59 PM**

Kevin asked for any other business and as there was none, Scott Pierce moved to adjourn. Kim Menke seconded; *motion carried* to adjourn.