MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE OF INTEGRATED SERVICES, INC. Workforce Development Local Board

P. O. Box 8518 Caguas, Puerto Rico 00726-8518

ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

DATE: March 30, 2022

TIME: 4:14 PM

PLACE: AMSI in Caguas

Present:

- 1. Mrs. Victoria Cintrón de Azize
- 2. Dr. Julio A. Marrero Guadalupe
- 3. Dr. Alberto R. Costa Berríos

Members present via ZOOM Virtual Platform:

- 1. Mr. José R. Serrano Morales
- 2. Mr. Jorge L. Cosme Oyola
- 3. Mrs. Sherly Inchausty Bermúdez
- 4. Atty. Francisco D. Rivera Maldonado

Guests:

1. Mr. Joaquín Santiago Santos







I. Welcome

Mrs. Victoria Cintrón de Azize, President of the Local Board, gives a welcome speech to the meeting to all the members of the Committee and guests.

II. Establishing a quorum

Mr. Jorge Luis Cosme Oyola, Secretary of the Workforce Development Local Board, certifies the quorum necessary to hold the meeting. All the members of the Executive Committee are participating in the meeting. The presence of Mr. Joaquín Santiago Santos, Executive Administrator, is acknowledged.

III. Reflection

The following reflection statement is shared: "Faith is an empty hand extended towards God saying: Thanks."

IV. Agenda

Mrs. Vicky Cintrón de Azize, President of the Local Board, presents the Agenda that will be discussed during the meeting.

V. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on February 24, 2022

Mrs. Victoria Cintrón de Azize, President of the Local Board, presents the minutes of the meeting held on February 24, 2022, previously circulated for approval. Dr. Alberto R. Costa Berríos makes a motion to consider approved the minutes of the meeting held on February 24, 2022, previously circulated. The





motion is seconded by Dr. Julio Marrero Guadalupe and Mr. Jorge L. Cosme Oyola.

VI. Communications received

a. Draft of the WIOA Unified State Plan

Mr. Joaquín Santiago Santos, AMSI Executive Administrator, informs that the Draft of the WIOA Unified State Plan was received.

b. Use of funds WIOA to support the medicinal cannabis industry

Mr. Joaquín Santiago Santos, AMSI Executive Administrator, shares a letter received from Atty. Jenny Mar Cañón, Director of the Workforce Development Program, in regards to the use of funds WIOA to support the medicinal cannabis industry. Being the medicinal cannabis an illegal substance at the federal level, WIOA funds cannot be used in any of its programs to support directly or indirectly the medicinal cannabis industry.

c. Expense Report 2020 and 2021, ALDL Caguas-Guayama

Mr. Joaquín Santiago Santos, AMSI Executive Administrator, shares a letter received from Atty. Jenny Mar Cañón, Director of the Workforce Development Program, regarding the Expense Report 2020 and 2021.

d. Notice of Award, Determination, and Recommendation of the Evaluation Committee of the 2021-2024 Submitted Proposals for Competitive Grants of the Adults Education and Family Literacy Program





Mr. Joaquín Santiago Santos, AMSI Executive Administrator, presents a letter received from Atty. Norma J. Rolón Barada, Director of the Purchase, Obligations, and Funds Allocation Central Office of the Department of Education, with the Notice of Award, Determination, and Recommendation of the Evaluation Committee of the Submitted Proposals for Competitive Grants 2021-2024 of the Adults Education Program and Family Literacy, Second Call, and Appendix A: Summary of the evaluation of competitive proposals for the grants of the Adults Education and Family Literacy Program.

e. Circular letter DDEC-WIOA-02-2022 – Travel Expense in and out of Puerto Rico paid with WIOA Funds

Mr. Joaquín Santiago Santos, AMSI Executive Administrator, presents Circular Letter DDEC-WIOA-02-2022 from Atty. Jenny Mar Cañón, Director of the Workforce Development Program and Honorable Manuel Cidre Miranda, Secretary of the Department of Economic Development and Commerce, which includes the background, legal base, purpose, definitions, official trips to the United States, trips within Puerto Rico, derogations, applicability, and validity of the Circular Letter.

f. NAWB

Mr. Joaquín Santiago Santos, AMSI Executive Administrator, presents a letter received from Mrs. Yolanda Rivera Ortiz, Special Aide in charge of the Planning, Evaluation, Validation, and Statistics of the Department of Economic Development and Commerce, in which they notify that they received the request to travel abroad with the purpose of attending the





annual conference, "The Forum 2022," NAWB. Due to the public policy of austerity, a maximum of three participants paid with funds of the Workforce Opportunity and Innovation Act (WIOA) are allowed to participate. For that reason, they ask for the names of the three persons that will be participating in the conference.

g. Approval of the annual conference "THE FORUM 2022"

Mr. Joaquín Santiago Santos, AMSI Executive Administrator, presents a letter received from Mrs. Yolanda Rivera Ortiz, Special Aide in charge of the Planning, Evaluation, Validation, and Statistics of the Department of Economic Development and Commerce, in which they notify that after completing the evaluation in accordance to what is stipulated in the public policy of austerity, the participation of Mrs. Victoria Cintrón de Azize, Mr. Jorge L. Cosme Oyola, and Eng. Luis Vázquez García is approved. The exception is made that participation of Dr. Julio Marrero Guadalupe and Mr. Orlando Rivera de Jesús will be covered with other funds available in their Workforce Development Local Board (JLD, for its Spanish acronym).

h. 4th Amendment to Contract of Fast Response Funds Allocation – Temporary Jobs COVID-19-Caguas – Guayama

Mr. Joaquín Santiago Santos, AMSI Executive Administrator, presents Fourth Amendment to Contract of Fast Response Funds Allocation – Temporary Jobs COVID-19-Caguas – Guayama signed by Honorable William Miranda Torres, President of the Mayors'





Board, and Honorable Manuel Cidre Miranda, Secretary of the Department of Economic Development and Commerce.

i. Single Management Center Operator

Mr. Joaquín Santiago Santos, AMSI Executive Administrator, presents a letter received from Honorable Pedro R. Pierluisi, Governor of Puerto Rico, in which he authorizes the Caguas-Guayama Area Local Board to operate the Single Management Center.

VII. New topics

a. Executive Administrator Report

Mr. Joaquín Santiago Santos presents the following information included in the Executive Administrator Report:

- Global Investment Graph, 2020-2021 Second Year of Availability updated as of March 29, 2022
- ii. Global Investment Graph Current Year 2021-2022 updated as of March 29, 2022
- iii. Unemployment Rate AMSI and Puerto Rico
- iv. Unemployment Rate Puerto Rico Economic Regions
- v. Program Outcomes 2021-2022
- vi. Income Objectives Temporary Jobs Agency 2021-2022 updated as of March 28, 2022
- vii. Income Objectives of the Lyceum of Preparation and Integral Development updated as of March 28, 2022
- viii. Activation Objectives of the *Ticket to Work Program* updated as of March 28, 2022
- ix. Placements Objectives of the *Ticket to Work Program*, updated as of March 28, 2022





- x. Income Objectives of the *Ticket to Work Program*, updated as of March 28, 2022
- xi. Activation Objectives of the *Ticket to Work Program*, Virgin Islands, updated as of March 28, 2022
- xii. Placements Objectives of the *Ticket to Work Program*, Virgin Islands, updated as of March 28, 2022
- xiii. Income Objectives of the *Ticket to Work Program,* Virgin Islands, updated as of March 28, 2022
- xiv. AMSI in the social platforms

Dr. Alberto Costa Berríos makes a motion to consider received the information presented in the Executive Administrator Report. The motion is seconded by Mr. Jorge L. Cosme Oyola.

VIII. Other topics

a. Next meeting of the Executive Committee

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held in Aibonito.

b. 2022-2027 Strategic Plan

The first meeting addressed to developing the 2022-2027 Strategic Plan will be held at the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel in Caguas on April 29, 2022. The Arroyo & Associates firm will be assisting us in that process.





Motion to adjourn IX.

There being no other matters to discuss, the meeting ended at 5:00 p.m., by means of a motion that is made by Atty. Francisco D. Rivera Maldonado. The motion is seconded by Dr. Julio Marrero Guadalupe.

Approved today

Mr. Jorge L. Cosme Oyola Secretary

Victoria Cintrón de Azi

President



