

**Education and Employment Committee Meeting**

Thursday, April 15, 2021

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**Members Present:** Mary Tarver, Dr. Sarah Fletcher (LDOE), Melissa Bayham (LRS), Temisha Sonnier, Chris Rodriguez (AC), Nicole Banks, Mitch Iddins, Bambi Polotzola

**Members Absent:** Dr. Phil Wilson (LSU HDC), Carmen Cetnar, (GODA), Brenda Cosse

**Attendees:** Sue Killam (LSU HDC), Charlie Michel, Julie Folse, Rona Burkett, Andrea Albert, Kristie Curtis, Melissa Johnson, Corhonda Corley, Kasey Hill, Mylinda Elliot, Nicole Flores, Liz Gary, Susan Riehn, Tamara Crane, Kelly Monroe

**Staff:** Marilee Andrews, Ebony Haven, Halie Belin, Brenton Andrus, Courtney Ryland

**Transcriptionist:** Lynsey Hebert

Ms. Andrews calls roll and a quorum is established.

**MOTION PASSED.** Motion to approve the [February 10, 2021 E/E Committee Summary](#) made by Mr. Iddins, seconded by Dr. Fletcher, passed without objection or abstention.

Dr. Sarah Fletcher gives an [update from the Louisiana Department of Education](#).

Melissa Bayham gives an [update from Louisiana Rehabilitation Services](#).

Chairperson Tarver requests update from the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities (OCDD) on sheltered workshops.

Council staff gives updates on education and employment contractual activities for [FFY2021 Action Plan](#) (October 1, 2020 – September 30, 2021).

- Ms. Andrews gives an update on Seminars on Hiring Individuals with Developmental Disabilities (Activity 5.3.3) with contractor O'Neill Communications.
- Ms. Ryland gives an update on Louisiana Post-Secondary Inclusive Education Alliance (LaPIE) (Activity 3.4.2) and Customized Employment Training (Activity 5.1.3).

Chairperson Tarver adjourns the meeting at 11:33 AM.