

## MINUTES

The Northwest Tennessee Development District Executive Committee and Northwest Tennessee Human Resource Governing Board met on June 5, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. virtually. The meeting was called to order at 1:30 by Mayor Gary Reasons.

Mayor Reason then asked Emily Payne to call the roll. The record shows the following members were present.

Mayor Gary Reasons- Crockett County

Mayor Dale Hutcherson-Weakley County

Mayor Nelson Cunningham-Gibson County

Mayor Howell Todd- Clarksburg

Mayor John Holden- Dyersburg

Mayor Cindy McAdams-Greenfield

Mayor Stever Carr-Obion County

Mayor Mark Ward-Benton County

Mrs. Payne informed Mayor Reasons that a quorum was present.

Next item was a discussion about the position of Executive Director of NWTDD/NWTHRA. Mayor Reasons spoke about how was on the nominating committee which consisted of Chairman Butler, Mayor Reasons, Mayor McAdams, and Mayor Holden. Mayor Reasons then spoke about the amount of wonderful candidates that applied. Mayor Reasons then went on to say that it was a unanimous decision by the hiring committee to put forth Lori Kelley-Burdine for the position of Executive Director. Mayor Reasons asked for any questions at this time. Mayor Hutcherson asked what made the Hiring Committee chose Ms. Kelley-Burdine. Mayor Reasons spoke to her extensive time with the Workforce Board and the similarities with what Ms. Kelley-Burdine brought to the table. Mayor McAdams then brought up how Ms. Kelley-Burdine had brought up extensive things that she could do to help the agency. Seeing as there were no more questions there was then a motion made by Mark Ward and the motion was seconded by Mayor Howell Todd. The board unanimously agreed.

It was then said that Ms. Lori Kelley-Burdine would be informed about the Board's approval and then she would be asked to start the Executive Director position on June 16, 2025. Current Executive Director Melinda Goode's last day will be June 30, 2025.

Seeing there was no further business, Mayor Holden made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Mayor Nelson Cunningham.

Meeting adjourned.

Board Approval Date 6/27/25 Mark Ward, Secretary/Treasurer 