



CENTRALINA
REGIONAL COUNCIL

**Board of Delegates Meeting Minutes
May 10, 2023**

Jurisdictions with Delegate/Alternate	Delegate/Alternate Present	Jurisdictions without a Delegate/Alternate
City of Albemarle	Martha Sue Hall	City of Salisbury
Cabarrus County	Lynn Shue	City of Charlotte
City of Concord	Andy Langford	Town of Granite Quarry
Town of East Spencer	Shawn Rush	City of Cherryville
Township of Faith	Jayne Lingle	Indian Trail
Town of Harrisburg	Jennifer Teague	Town of Dallas
Iredell County	Gene Houpe	Union County Mooresville
Love Valley	Mark Loden	Union County Ranlo
City of Kannapolis	Darrell Hinnant	Stanly 2
Village of Marvin	Wayne Deatherage	Lincoln County
Town of McAdenville	Jay McCosh	Lincolnton
Town of Mineral Springs	Jim Muller	Town of Wingate
Town of Mint Hill	Tony Long	Union County
Town of Morven	Corinthia Lewis-Lemon	Gaston County
Town of Norwood	Wes Hartsell	City of Monroe
City of Statesville	Joe Hudson	City of Belmont
Troutman	Jerry Oxsher	Town of Waxhaw
Town of Badin	Charles Council	Town of Cleveland
Town of Oakboro	Chris Huneycutt	Town of Huntersville
Town of Davidson	Autumn Rierison Michael	Mecklenburg County
Town of Pineville	Amelia Stinson-Wesley	Town of Stallings
Anson County	Jarvis Woodburn	Town of Landis
Town of Spencer	Pat Sledge	Town of Marshville
		City of Gastonia
		Town of Cramerton
		Town of Midland
		City of Bessemer City

Call to Order

Vice Chair, Jay McCosh Town of McAdenville, called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Narissa Claiborne Board Administrator noted that a quorum was present.

Amendments to the Agenda

There were no amendments to the agenda.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of February 8, 2023, Board of Delegates Meeting minutes

Chairman Compton referred to the Delegates, asking if there were any comments or objections to the Consent items. Hearing none he called for a motion.

Mayor Hinnant, of Kannapolis made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Shawn Rush, Town of East Spencer seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

2. Centralina Spotlight: Grant Services

Geraldine Gardner, Centralina Centralina Executive Director presented an overview of Centralina’s Grant services.

3. Centralina State and Federal Advocacy Update

Leslie Mazingo of Strategic Consulting introduced herself to the Board and shared key goals of work this year. Ms. Mazingo also highlighted ways to build relationships through engagement. She also highlighted key issues via the Annual Federal Action Agenda.

Centralina’s Kelly Weston, Government Affair and Member Engagement Coordinator shared the strategy surrounding the Raleigh Relation initiative, highlighting relationship building, statewide advocacy, and regional advocacy and the similarities and differences between the three. Ms. Weston also shared how to advance Raleigh relations in 2023, by suggesting to the Board they track legislation, support NC Association of Regional Councils of Government priorities, meet with legislators, and brief the Board on important developments.

4. FY23 Progress Report and FY24 Workplan Introduction and Instructions

Executive Director Geraldine Gardner provided a multi-point briefing to Delegates related to Centralina's annual work plan development process; the briefing helped prepare delegates to participate in an interactive open house, and work session to provide feedback to Centralina staff. After Ms. Gardner shared Centralina’s Vision, Mission, and Strategic Goals, she shared the progress Centralina has made thus far and regional trends to follow going forward including, population and growth, demographic of citizens in our area, job growth, Regional AI and Automation Risk, Higher Education trends, transformations in mobility, including where and how our residents get to work and lastly the prosperity gap indicators. After, Executive Director Gardner shared Centralina’s approach and FY24 workplan.

*Immediately after the Progress Report and FY24 Workplan Introduction and Instructions. The Delegates participated in an interactive open house of all five of the Centralina departments, including, Administration and Finance, Workforce, Planning, Economic Development, and Aging.

Comments from the Board of Delegates and Centralina Staff

None.

Comments from the Executive Director

Ms. Gardner shared with the Board that after they have visited all the Centralina departments, the meeting will be adjourned. However, they were welcomed back afterward to have dinner.

Comments from the Chairman

Vice Chair Jay McCosh adjourned the meeting at 6:15.