# **Minutes**

# **Grow Southwest Indiana Workforce Board**

8:30 a.m. CDT, February 27, 2015 Vincennes University, Ft Branch Campus

**Members Present:** 

Bob Stemple

Frank Yuda

Jim Heck

Michelle Schaefer

Georg Karl Nancy Davisson Stephanie Norrick Lori Williams

Dan Ulrich Amy O'Dell Clint Pies Lacey Peer

Phil Seger Jon Keck Ron Hagy Todd Mosby Sue Habig Chris Harlow Mike Szakaly Paula Pinkstaff via telephone

Local Elected Officials:

Jerry Walden, Posey Co Commissioner via telephone

**Others Present:** 

Melena Swing, DWD

Jill Bueker, JobWorks

Peg Boardman, DWD

Lydia Johnson, JobWorks

**WIB Staff:** 

Sara Huelsman

Linda Jones

Pam Martin

Mary Hamilton

Angie Sheppard

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Stemple at 8:33 a.m. Central Time.

**Additional Agenda Items:** 

State CTE Director Resolution - Dan Ulrich

Chairman Bob Stemple introduced the new board members; Chris Harlow, Vectren and Dan Ulrich, Southern Indiana Career & Technical Center

Speaker:

Darin Landers with WEOA Radio addressed the Board to provide insight on the disconnect of minority job seekers and employers, mentioning the lack of communication of services available at the WorkOne to non-welcoming environments at the businesses.

**WIB Meeting Minutes:** 

The Board reviewed the WIB meeting minutes from January 23, 2015 with no concerns.

Ron Hagy made a motion to approve the WIB Minutes from January 23, 2015 as presented. Todd Mosby seconded. Motion passed.

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### **Executive Committee Minutes:**

The Board reviewed the Executive Committee minutes from January 16, 2015 with no concerns.

### **Finance Committee:**

Lori Williams gave an update on the YTD financials mentioning the financials are not where they need to be and are under spent. The total WIA expenditures only lost 1% compared to other months with the spending doubling in January. The Committee discussed the Service Provider implementation plan and will monitor the financials very closely going forward.

#### **Operations Committee:**

Bob Stemple mentioned the Committee reviewed all the metrics for January noting the placements are low mainly due to low foot traffic. The Service Provider presented their implementation plan gaining feedback from the Committee.

#### **Business Services Committee:**

Sue Habig mentioned the Business Services Committee discussed a Work Ethic Certificate program. The Committee is still developing the program with the intent to implement the program in high schools around the region for junior and seniors and the possibility of reaching out to the public with a second phase. The WIB members would be required to present a certificate the students whom complete the metrics. The Committee also discussed a Workforce Attraction and Outreach program, which would be an initiative to attract job seekers outside of the region.

## WIB Staff Report (January 2015):

Jim Heck highlighted the Elected Officials meetings, WIOA transition and the Teacher Boot Camp.

Nancy Davisson motioned to approve all of the items in the consent agenda presented including;

- Executive Committee Minutes January 2015
- Finance Committee Minutes and YTD Financials January 2015
- Operations Committee Minutes and Reports January 2015
- Business Services Committee Minutes August, September, October & November 2014
- WIB Staff Report January 2015

Georg Karl seconded. Motion passed.

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### **Old Business**

#### **Service Provider Update:**

Lydia Johnson from JobWorks presented the Service Provider Implementation Plan to the Board mentioning the budget, enrollment statistics, and the activities and improvements to be implemented. Lydia noted the challenges are staffing, OJT's and youth work experiences. The Board has asked for a bi-monthly report to track the plan.

# **Immigration Clinic:**

Jim Heck updated the group on the Immigration Clinic hosted by Ivy Tech with the help of Catholic Charities, HOLA, CAPE and nine attorneys and immigration counselors. 117 individuals were able to speak to an advisor regarding their legal status and how they can obtain documentation to work. Ivy Tech has decided to start an English as a Second Language course in the fall.

#### **New Business**

#### **KCDC Annual Meeting:**

Bob Stemple mentioned the Knox County Development Corporation's Annual Meeting on March 11, 2015 at 12:00pm ET at the Green Activities Center on the Vincennes University campus, Vincennes. The Board has purchased a table of eight. Board members wanting to attend need to contact Angie to reserve a seat.

#### **Ivy Tech Apprenticeship Proposal:**

Mike Szakaly mentioned that Ivy Tech is pursuing a US DOL American Apprenticeship Grant through a state-wide application, with a focus on strengthening their industrial apprenticeship program.

Nancy Davisson motioned to approve the letter of support for the Ivy Tech Apprenticeship proposal. Dan Ulrich seconded. Motion passed. WIB-2014-22

#### **State CTE Director Resolution:**

Dan Ulrich explained the current and proposed CTE funding formulas. The proposed funding model calls for the outcome base to be a part of the funding base. The Indiana Association of CTE Directors has composed a resolution proposing the outcome base be on top of the funding base. The CTE Directors would like the Board to support the resolution. The Board chose to table this discussion until the next meeting. Any questions may be directed to Dan Ulrich.

# **Public Comment:**

No Comments

Ron Hagy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:11 a.m. Central Time. Nancy Davisson seconded. Motion passed.

WIB-2014-23

The next meeting will be the LEO Luncheon Meeting on Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at 11:30 a.m. Central Time at Innovation Pointe, 318 Main Street, 4th Floor Training Room, Evansville, IN.

Frank Yuda, Secretar

Date