

**Minutes**  
**Grow Southwest Indiana Workforce Board**  
8:30 a.m. CDT, May 22, 2015  
Vincennes University – Ft Branch Campus  
Gibson County

**Members Present:**

Bob Stemple	Frank Yuda	Sue Habig	Jim Heck
Lori Williams	Amy O'Dell	Ron Hagy	Bob Rothermel
Sue Habig	Mike Szakaly	Todd Mosby	Clint Pies
Chris Harlow	Josh Bowman	Gerald Stone	Tim Martin
Dan Ulrich	Chris Kinnett		

**Local Elected Officials:**

Jerry Walden, Posey County Commissioner

**Others Present:**

Elaine Hubbard, DWD	Peg Boardman, DWD	Donna Martin, DFR
Jim Beck, Alcoa	Karen Smith, Voc Rehab	Jerry Parkinson, Sen Donnelly's Office
Nancy Schroering, JobWorks	Melena Swing, DWD	Dr. Robert Yeager, OCU
Carla Crowe via telephone		

**WIB Staff:**

Sara Huelsman	Kay Johnson	Mary Hamilton	Angie Sheppard
Rochelle McDonald	Breasha Pruitt		

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Stemple at 8:32 a.m. Central Time.

**Additional Agenda Items:**

None

**Speakers:**

**Vocational Rehabilitation – Karen Smith**

Karen Smith presented on the goals and services of Vocational Rehabilitation. The main goal is to help people with disabilities gain meaningful employment. Services available include; assessment to determine eligibility, job related services, vocational and training services, supported employment, counseling and guidance, assistive technology and vehicle modification. Their new social media campaign #Work4LifeIN is to focus on young people as they prepare to leave high school.

**Teacher Bootcamp – Dr. Robert Yeager, OCU and Jim Beck, Alcoa**

Dr. Yeager and Jim Beck explained the concept of the Teacher Bootcamp which is being funded through an Alcoa Foundation grant with help from the participating manufacturers; Berry Plastics, SABIC and Toyota, and a STEM grant through Oakland City University (OCU). Sixty educators will learn and understand the skills needed to help promote manufacturing careers over the next two summers. This years' educators will also participate in a free online course through OCU to earn graduate credits.

**WIB Meeting Minutes:**

The Board reviewed the WIB meeting minutes from April 7, 2015 with no concerns.

**LEO Luncheon Meeting Minutes:**

The Board reviewed the LEO Luncheon meeting minutes from April 7, 2015 with no concerns.

**Executive Committee Minutes:**

The Board reviewed the Executive Committee minutes from March 20, April 17 and April 24, 2015 with no concerns.

**Finance Committee:**

Lori Williams gave an update on the YTD financials mentioning the direct participation cost is at 61% with the benchmark at 83%. The yearend projections are Adult 40%, Dislocated Worker 55% and Youth 70%. The fiscal agent will send a waiver to DWD to request the additional funds to be carried over into the next plan year. The finance committee approved the following spending; \$26,060 for a new electronic sign at the Evansville office, up to \$45,000 for ADA upgrade at the Princeton and Jasper offices pending DWD approval, and renewed the PC Quest IT Service Agreement.

**Operations Committee:**

The committee reviewed the minutes and reports. No discussion needed.

**Business Services Committee:**

Sue Habig gave a brief overview of the committee meeting where the following was discussed; Work Ethic Certification, Teacher Bootcamp, Outreach Committee and Essentra Rapid Response.

**Youth Council:**

No concerns.

**WIB Staff Report (March & April 2015):**

Jim Heck mentioned the staff has been reaching out to Sullivan County to hold a joint job fair with Knox employers, completed the second annual STEM Challenge, and continuing to work on the transition to WIOA.

*Ron Hagy motioned to approve all of the items in the consent agenda presented including;*

- *WIB Meeting Minutes – April 7, 2015*
- *LEO Luncheon Meeting Minutes – April 7, 2015*
- *Executive Committee Minutes – March 20, April 17 and April 24, 2015*
- *Finance Committee Minutes and YTD Financials – March 20 and April 17, 2015*
  - *\$26,060 – New Electronic Sign for Evansville Office*
  - *Up to \$45,000 for ADA upgrades at the Princeton and Jasper office pending DWD approval*
  - *Renewal of PC Quest IT Service Agreement*
- *Operations Committee Minutes and Reports – March 20 and April 17, 2015*
- *Business Services Committee Minutes – March 20 and April 17, 2015*
- *Youth Council Minutes – February 27, 2015*
- *WIB Staff Report – March and April 2015*

*Mike Szakaly seconded. Motion passed.*

**WIB-2014-30**

**Old Business****Service Provider Update:**

Nancy Schroering mentioned the service provider is fully staffed, training is up, youth is gearing up with graduation stipends, and the work experience programs are moving forward.

**New Business****New Committee Proposal:**

Todd Mosby proposed an ad-hoc outreach committee during the WIOA transition to help target the most at-risk to promote available employment services. The committee would last through the WIOA transition with specified parameters and budget. The Board will discuss in further detail after year end.

**PY15 Calendar:**

The Board discussed the next program year calendar and joint meetings with the Indiana Works Council. The annual meeting will be held at Vincennes University – Jasper campus. The Executive Committee meetings will start at 9:15am CT to allow for the Business Services Committee to attend later. The June 26<sup>th</sup> WIB meeting location will be changed to Oakland City University to allow for members to take part in the Teacher Bootcamp final presentation.

The PY15 calendar will be posted and calendar invites will be sent to all board members.

*Todd Mosby made a motion to approve the PY15 Calendar as presented. Ron Hagy seconded. Motion passed.*  
**WIB-2014-31**

**Public Comment:**

None

*Ron Hagy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:45a.m. Central Time. Tim Martin seconded. Motion passed.*  
**WIB-2014-32**

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 26, 2015 at 8:30am CT at Oakland City University, Student Life Center, Room 210, Oakland City, IN.

  
Frank Yuda, Secretary

6/26/2015  
Date