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IOWA STATE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
BOARD MEETING CONFERENCE CALL  
NOVEMBER 13, 2014

DRAFT MINUTES

The Iowa Workforce Development Board met Monday, November 13, 2014, originating in the Boardroom of the Iowa Area Community College Trustees (IACCT), 855 E Court Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa. Board Chair Andy Roberts called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

Voting Board members in attendance included: Chair Andy Roberts, Dee Vanderhoef, Ken Sagar, Robert Gilmore and Norene Mostkoff.

Non-Voting Board members attending: Greg Lewis, Steve Ovel, Senators Bill Dotzler and Jake Chapman, Drew Conrad, Greer Sisson, Jeremy Varner and David Mitchell.

Board members absent were: Suzanne Kmet, John Krogman, Caroline Hicks, Stacey Andersen, Gary Steinke, Debi Durham, Representatives Mary Ann Hanusa and Kirsten Running-Marquardt.

IWD Administrative staff in attendance included: Director Teresa Wahlert, Deputy Director Ed Wallace, Joe Bervid, Lori Adams, Mike Wilkinson, Paul Mikkelsen, Kelly Taylor, Gary Bateman, Kerry Koonce, Todd Spencer, Michaela Malloy-Rotert, Marlys Jones, Nick Olivencia, and Lisa Castillo.

Guests in attendance: Ashley Koopmans and Rick Autry – DIA; Sue Foecke, Senate Democrat staff, Angie Arthur and Jeff Chamberlin, Central Iowa Workforce – Region 11; and Susie Paulson, IA Department on Aging. Doug Hoelscher participated via telephone on behalf of the Governor's office.

Roll call was taken and quorum was established for this meeting. The meeting agenda was provided for review prior to the meeting.

Motion: D. Vanderhoef moved to approve the agenda for the meeting. K. Sagar second. Motion Passed.

### **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The minutes from the May 15, 2014, State Workforce Board meeting and the September 29, 2014 Board conference call were previously provided for review in the board packets.

Motion: N. Mostkoff to approve the minutes from the May 15, 2014, and September 29, 2014, State Workforce Board meetings. K. Sagar second. Motion Passed.

### **WIA Annual Report – Todd Spencer**

Since the USDOL guidance for report content was not issued until October 8, the new due date for the report narrative is November 14, 2014. Required information for this WIA report includes: performance data, state evaluation activities, RIO and cost per's, demographic information of participants, and

waivers. Any other information is optional. The general theme is integrated services, collaborative efforts with multiple partners, and continued statewide activities.

This draft WIA Annual Report was posted online for a 30-day comment period on October 28, 2014, and is due to U.S. Department of Labor on November 14, 2014. To date, no comments have been received.

### **WIOA – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act – Lori Adams**

Information was provided from the Act that indicates what it does provide for. There are a variety of side-by-side comparisons available nationwide; that developed by the National Association of State Workforce Agencies (NASWA) was made available to the board members. At this time there are many unanswered issues and questions that we all hope will be addressed when the draft regulations are published in mid-January 2015.

IWD is emphasizing that regardless of any other actions taken in the implementation of this law, none of the 19 Iowa brick/mortar offices will be closed as a result of this new legislation. Federal law requires that state merit staff perform Wagner-Peyser services and that IWD must contract with the Department of Human Services for PROMISE JOBS and other programs.

In many ways, Iowa is in a good position because we are already collocated with partners and also have TANF and Voc Rehab in the centers.

A motion was made and withdrawn with regard to grandfathering the existing regional boards. It was determined that a joint meeting with the Regional Workforce Investment Board (RWIB) chairs would be best to determine their position on the topic.

### **Director's Report – Teresa Wahlert**

An email containing information about the Special Budget Requests (SBRs) that are currently in process will be sent to update the board.

Budget information was provided in the packets distributed for review. IWD's financials are within budget with no surprises. A status quo budget for 2016 has been submitted as was requested by the Governor's office.

An EO1 position has been hired to assist with the management of the Apprenticeship grant, in addition assisting with other grant activities. The individual starts December 5, 2014.

### **Other Business**

G. Lewis requested to have the 5th Judicial District attend a future meeting to present about the value of having workforce services inside the prison walls to help with job training and preparation for life outside the wall.

A copy of an advertisement for hiring veterans was provided. This was funded by Skilled Iowa funds and was published nationally by Gannett Publishing.

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, there was a motion to adjourn.

Motion: R. Gilmore moved to adjourn this meeting of the State Workforce Development Board. D. Vanderhoef second. Motion Passed.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm.

Respectfully,

Lisa Castillo, Recorder

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