

Meeting Agenda: Operations Standing Subcommittee

August 29, 2018 Metro Center, room N204 3:00-4:00 PM

1. Updates/Announcements from each partner director

Joe-DFB-DM at Full capacity Training Center, new staff at Training Center. Weekend getaways for high school age

Andy-Future Ready Iowa summits Cedar Valley Nov 13, AEA Central Rivers building 9-3 UNI Partnering- NDEA month disability employment awareness Diversity and Inclusion Expungement Clinic, Vets Stand Down, EOC

Chris-Vista momentum 2 of 4 positions filled, interview tomorrow, IWD not going after federal grants

Sandy-AEL. ELL booming all time enrollment high, turnover in staff with 8 new teachers, Masterbrand onsite ELL classes to provide 2 semester classes, completed one, new HR changed some things, second semester will be in January Fall changes in curriculum for pilot, Pipestone employer from Independence for onsite ELL, Tyson as well, working with BCE to help in planning for any of these opportunities. More employers reaching out to get a workforce. 170 for HS completion very low because of low Unemployment, James Faag is new HS completion coordinator. Filling another position to help low level learners. Waverly center closed so no classes there. Ibest no CNA class possibly spring, running possible IT Ibest, not been easy, DOE said not a career pathway, so Federal Funds not be used, changing names which gives it a better pathway, completers might sit for Microsoft office certs. Need help with referrals with help with HSC or ELL which might include Ibest. Should start with IowaWORKS for other program options.

2. Update on Grants: Chris

An update on regional grants was provided and discussed.

3. Update on Reverse Job Fair: Chris

Tara and Laura interested to put this together for ELL students in April or May of 2019, needs time dedicated for planning and staff time and a lot of work with clients, helping them get ready, looking for better or other employment. Will look into planning and getting them ready for next spring, will need to make decision by next meeting in September

4. Sandy provided explanation of HSED pathway options 1-4 and Region 7 status on these options Iowa legislature changed code to include other ways to get HSC, see handout HCC has not applied for options 2-4 but will be doing that in the future. Hoping to apply next semester for 2, then next year for 3-4

5. Discussion on quality referrals

Need to train staff on quality and not just quantity or any referrals. Need to find out how to do this or asking questions

6. Staff survey results on this question: Please give your feedback on this question:
 1. What can WIOA core partners do to improve our processes, services, communications, and regional partnerships?

Resolution:

Put team together to meet and talk about communication and referral process, let them figure out opportunities for change and improvements once per month probably September 28, October 26, November 30. Teams identify staff to attend meeting. Staff must connect with Brenna who will lead team.

7. Planning for Fall Joint PD, October 8, 2018. Work on draft agenda.

Next meeting: Wednesday, September 26, 2018; 3-4 PM at Metro Center