

1. Welcome and Introductions

Kelly Bergeron welcomed attendees, asked for self-introductions, and called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m.

2. Approval of minutes from October 9, 2013

John Weber (Sue Givens) moved to approve the minutes from October 9, 2013, as written. Motion adopted.

3. Wichita Workforce Center Update

Chad Pettera and Katie Givens summarized the report included in the packet. Drywall was delivered this week and the estimated construction completion date for the Wichita Workforce Center is near the first of May. The Executive Committee has approved the purchase of new furniture, mainly for the customer areas, and a security system that will include badges for the exterior doors and the file rooms. A community grand opening will be held during the first week of June 2014. Invitations will be sent out closer to the date.

The report was received and filed.

4. Discussion of the 2014 Youth Employment Initiative

Pettera reported the 2014 Summer Youth Employment Initiative is underway. Approximately 90 youths are currently enrolled in the program, scheduled to begin work on job sites at the end of May or early June. 20-25 of those youths are located in Butler County. Staff continues to work with Wellington and Winfield to identify youths and potential job sites in their respective counties. Two events are planned for the youth participants this summer, a futures fair in the middle of the initiative to introduce students to potential educational opportunities, and one at the end of the summer as a celebration of their accomplishments. The U.S. Conference of Mayors plans to offer their financial literacy campaign, "Dollar Wise" again this summer for WA participants.

The report was received and filed.

5. Creation of the 2014 Demand Occupations Task Force

Each year, the WIA Oversight/Youth Council requests the creation of the Demand Occupations Task Force by the LWIB Chairman. The task force is charged with reviewing the current Kansas Local Area IV WIA (Adult and Dislocated Worker) Approve Training List. In program year 2013, the task force, at the direction of the LWIB, narrowed the list to five target industries and added the K-12 CTE certifications that are included in Senate Bill 155.

The task force will meet once in May and review the list and make recommendations for updates and changes to the WIA Oversight/Youth Council at their June meeting. The list will then be forwarded to the LWIB at their July meeting for review and adoption for Program Year 2014 (PY 14).

Weber (Jim Means) moved to request the LWIB Chairman appoint the 2014 Demand Occupations Task Force. Motion adopted.

6. Consent Agenda

- Staff discussed WIA/WP Performance, gave an update on workforce center operations, including an overview of the new reports on website and social media traffic. Amanda Duncan reviewed the business service report included in the packet.

6.A.4 Additions to the Eligible Training Provider List

Denise Houston requested the additions of two programs from Heritage College be added to the Eligible Training Provider List and recommended that the Council deny requests for program additions from Heritage College, Oklahoma College of Construction, and Wichita Truck driving

school, as they do not train in a demand occupation and/or do not provide a national, portable credential.

Michelle Rucker (Sarah Robinson) moved to approve the list and modifications as presented. Motion adopted.

6.A.5. On-the-Job Training Contract

Duncan requested the addition of Aerospace Systems and Components, Inc. to the Eligible Training Provider List for On-the-Job Training (OJT). The company anticipates hiring two engineers at \$40-\$55,000 per year. The training will be paid for from either WIA or H-1B Visa grant funds.

Jim Means (Karen Cline) moved to approve the addition of Aerospace Systems and Components, Inc. to the ETP list for On-the-Job Training. Additionally, move to approve the exception of the OJT contract, authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to approve as many placements and training plans funded with non-WIA dollars as grant funds allow, per state approval. WIA funded OJT placements will remain limited to a maximum of five placements and/or \$40,000 over the life of the contract. Motion adopted.

- Staff reviewed the reports on pages 25-26 of the packet, noting that the Jobs Fore Youth Golf Tournament is scheduled for Friday, April 25, 2014, at Auburn Hills Golf Course in Wichita.

Means (Rucker) moved to approve the recommended actions as presented in the consent agenda. Motion adopted.

7. Training Provider Updates

- Karen Cline with Job Corps noted that they are accepting enrollments into their program.
- Mike Magennis with Plumbers and Pipefitters reported they are interviewing potential apprentices next week and plan to select 60 to enter training this year.
- Jim Means with USD 259 reported planning is underway for the new South East High School, including the potential for an Ag program and a focus on advanced manufacturing in technical education.

8. Unscheduled Topics: WIA Oversight Committee Members

No unscheduled topics were reported.

9. Adjourn

Bergeron adjourned the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

Attendance

Committee Members:

Karen Cline, Flint Hills Job Corps (YC)
Sue Givens, USD 490 (YC)
Michael Magennis (YC)
Jim Means, USD 259 (YC)
Sarah Robinson, Wichita Children's Home (YC)
Michelle Rucker, City of Wichita Housing Services (YC)
John Weber, Greater Wichita YMCA (YC)

Staff:

Kelly Bergeron, WA
Amanda Duncan, WA
Katie Givens, WA
Denise Houston, WA
Keith Lawing, WA
Chad Pettera, WA

Members noted with (YC) following their name serve as representatives of the WIA mandated Youth Council.

NOTE: All staff handouts referenced in these minutes are maintained in the master meeting file at the Workforce Alliance office and are available upon request.