

1. Welcome, Introductions and Announcements

Rod Blackburn welcomed attendees, asked for self introductions, and called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3. City of Wichita Sales Tax Ballot Initiative: Bob Layton, Wichita City Manager

Bob Layton, Wichita City Manager, presented to the LWIB on the upcoming City Sales Tax referendum on the November 4th general election ballot. The sales tax will fund four things: water supply and infrastructure, public transportation, streets and a jobs fund. The proposed tax is one cent, for up to five years, raising a goal of \$397.6 million dollars. Twenty percent of the funds, or \$80 million, will be devoted to a jobs fund, devoted to workforce training and infrastructure improvements. A full copy of the presentation is available on the WA website.

4. Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Update

Keith Lawing updated the LWIB on the progress of WIOA at the federal level. The U.S. Department of Labor has asked Kansas to be an early implementation state. The biggest challenge for WA will be the new Youth measures. WIOA places a high priority on serving out of school youth. The Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program operated by the State Department for Children and Families (DCF) includes job training funds and program requirements- WIOA requires that TANF be included as part of the workforce system in each state, unless the Governor specifically opts the program out as a standalone entity. The draft Rules and Regs are scheduled to be released in mid-January for public review and comment.

The report was received and filed by the LWIB.

5. Adoption of the 2015 meeting schedule:

Katie Givens discussed the report of proposed 2015 meeting dates included in the packet. Kelly Bergeron noted that the proposed LWIB meeting dates are a change from past years, moving the meetings from Thursdays to Wednesdays in response to a recent survey of the LWIB membership. Keith Lawing noted that the 2015 Jobs Fore Youth Golf Tournament is scheduled for Friday, April 24th.

Tony Naylor (Gabe Schlickau) moved to adopt the 2015 meeting schedule as presented. Motion adopted.

6. Consent Agenda and Committee Reports

Lawing briefly reviewed the reports included in the consent agenda.

- Performance: Rod Blackburn noted the continued difficulty in meeting the performance requirements for Youth. Tony Naylor, Chair of the WIA Oversight/Youth Council, noted that staff was working on new incentives for Youth's in the program, that the biggest challenge is keeping them engaged and getting them to complete activities and turn in results. Lawing noted that performance measures for Youth will also be changing with the implementation of WIOA in July 2015.
- The A1-33 Audit is currently taking place at the Administration offices. The draft results should be available in late November.



- WA has applied for a new grant from the National Fund for Workforce Solutions (NFWS), open only to current NFWS sites with successful outcomes. The request for the grant will be \$200,000, and will be awarded in early 2015.
- Lawing showed a Youth Work Experience video that will be used to recruit new sponsors for the Jobs For Youth Golf Tournament, along with recruiting new employer partners for next year's youth work experience program.

*John Weber (Bob Giesen) moved to approve the items in the consent agenda as presented.
Motion adopted.*

7. Adjourn

Blackburn adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.



ATTENDANCE

Present LWIB Membrs

Rod Blackburn, Chair
David Alfaro
Mark Conway
Bob Giesen
Robyn Heinz
Jeff Longwell
Richard Lopez
Brad Mears
Tony Naylor

Steve Porter
Ron Ratzlaff
Catrina Red Willow
Gabe Schlickau
Mary Kay Vaughn
John Weber
Kriste Weber

Absent LWIB Members

Suzie Ahlstrand
Lisa Barnes
Mike Beene
Tim Chase
Linda Coleman
Kerri Falletti
Brett Flashbarth
Dr. Kimberly Krull
Pat Hanrahan
Shelley Hansel
Alex Harb
Phillip Hayes
Robyn Heinz
Alicia Holloway
Arthur Hoopes
Jennifer Hughes

Kathy Jewett
Patrick Jonas
Dr. Tony Kinkel
Ben Mabry
Mike Magennis
Jeff McCausland
Sangita Richardson
Debora Weve

Guests

Bob Layton, City of Wichita

Staff

Keith Lawing
Kelly Bergeron
Amanda Duncan
Angie Duntz
Katie Givens

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