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Committee for Inclusion Meeting 10:00am, 10/22/19 Twin Pines Conservation Center; Winona

Agenda:

- Approval of Minutes
- Committee's Role & Structure

Next Meeting Date-TBA

South Central Workforce Board Committee for Inclusion Tuesday, October 22, 2019

Sign-In Sheet

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SCWIB Committee for Inclusion October 22, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Robin Thomas (Chair), Wanda Wallace, Jennifer Taylor, Suzan York, Cathy Hicks, Teri Ebel, Ann Smith, Tom Wiens

Robin called meeting to order at 10:05 AM Minutes approved

Discussion/Ideas:

- Robin discussed why the committee was formed and what its purpose is. Asked for thoughts on whether to keep the committee as is or if changed, what direction to take it in.
 - o How do we help people with barriers to employment and how to include employers
 - o Have training with employers about what people with disabilities need
 - o Address dwindling number of job seekers at job fairs would like to see greater numbers

Employers

- Create a survey for employers to give feedback on their needs target and cater to their needs
- o Inform employers of WIOA and the services it can offer such as transportation, child care, etc.

• Invite transportation systems to committee meeting to find what they offer

- Health Trans is an upcoming transportation system just starting
- o Ready Trans could be used for transportation to jobs or school

Outreach and communication

- o Thought to take Inclusion Meeting to targeted towns instead of them coming to us
- o Identify already scheduled events and include ourselves in them
- Committee needs to network better with businesses to inform them of what services can be offered – idea to collaborate on an Email newsletter to share with businesses
- o Committee needs to target other groups as well as businesses
- Offer food incentives such as coffee and snacks before meetings to network possibly lunches

Centers and Agencies

- o Agencies and Centers need to better understand what each other offers
- Better communication is needed between agencies and Centers to know what each is doing to help avoid duplication with outreach and services
 - Regional Transition meets once a month and allows outside agencies to come in and share what they do. Schools can contact the group and they will travel to the school.



Services and events

- o Should committee do more outreach instead of events?
- o Create a list of what each agency does for direction of services referrals
- O Create a reciprocal referral form example will be brought to January meeting

Bring to January meeting

- o Research what employers want
- List of services agency offers
- o Invite PMP to meeting

Adjourn: Caty Hicks made motion to adjourn at 11:38 AM. Robin Thomas seconded motion. All in favor.

Next Meeting: January 28, 2020 at 10:00AM, Twin Pines Conservation Center