



South Central
WORKFORCE
Investment Board

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Relay 711

Board Meeting
January 25, 2022
Meeting held by in person and WebEx

Board members present: Board Chair Becky Brooks, Chris Oravec – Vice Chair, Steve Halter, Jody James – Treasurer, Lisa Aden, Joan Wright, Aaron Wheeler, Diana Ball, Ryan Hampton, Warren Bland, Julie Carter, Robin Thomas, Cody Dalton, BJ Wear, Mike Ennis, Donnetta Rogers, Dennis Lancaster, Steve Halter and Rob Cox.

CLEO members present: the Honorable Jesse Roy – CLEO Chair, Ripley County; The Honorable Mark Collins, Howell County.

Guest in attendance by person were – Donna Parrott, Executive Director SCWIB, Donna Smith, Finance Officer SCWIB, and Cindy Stanton, Compliance Officer SCWIB.

Call to Order: Becky Brooks called the meeting to order at 1:04pm. Donna Parrott did roll call and it was established that there was a quorum.

Minutes: Chair Becky Brooks asked if everyone had reviewed the minutes from October 26th, 2021 meeting and if there were any changes, additions or correction needed. With hearing none, a motion was made by Chris Oravec and 2nd by BJ Wear to accept the minutes as presented. Motion Approved.

Donna Parrott gave a brief update for her report that was sent out ahead of time. Donna went over the State Quarterly Report Card which was sent out for our region with the agenda. Donna gave a brief update on the 4 year plan which will need to be updated by April 30, 2022 and sent to state. Donna briefly discussed the move of the Poplar Bluff Job Center, and stated that we were waiting on State still for the final decision as to whether the WIB could hold the lease or not. She stated that this is costing us \$500 - \$1000 each month the State sits on this. An update on moving some furniture from Poplar Bluff to the West Plains Job Center was also discussed, as this would then give the West Plains Job Center more room, and we would then be able to sell some of the West Plains desks. Donna updated the Board on the Sub-recipient Staff changes, and OWD Staff changes in the West Plains Job Center. An update on the EDA Grant which SCWIB is working on with the Ozark region was also briefly discussed.

WIOA Performance Reports – sent out ahead of time. Cindy Stanton went over the reports. Cindy reported to the board that the Sub-recipients were not meeting their Quarterly bench marks and how very few were in the green. She explained how this was hurting our region.

Donna Smith gave the Finance Report that was sent out ahead of time. She reported that in youth the Carry over money was almost spent, and the hopes were for it to be totally spent by December 31, 2021. It was reported that New Money in youth expenditures were very low, and she was concerned again about not meeting the 70% spent and 20% Work Experience numbers for the New Money. In Adult, both Subs were right on target to being 70% spent by June 30, 2022. In Dislocated Worker funding, again % spent remains low for New Money, and 70% spent by June 30, 2022 could be in jeopardy.

Committee for Inclusion – Cody Dalton gave brief update.

One Stop – No report was given, as Chris Oravec reported not much going on at this time.

Youth Committee – Lisa Aden gave a brief update and report, out no action items needed at this time.

Executive Committee – Becky Brooks reported out. Becky informed the Board that the By-Laws and One Stop agreements need to be review in the near future

CLEO Committee – The Honorable Jesse Roy, the New CLEO Chair introduced himself to the Board, and thanked the Honorable Zach Williams for his past years of service to the Board.

The Board then went into closed session at 1:50pm to discuss the RFP that needed to go out for the new One Stop Operator and the Sub-recipient. In closed session, it was stated that the CLEO's had concurred with the proposal of the RFP. The RFP was review with the Board. Motion made by Steve Halter and 2nd by Dennis Lancaster to accept the RFP as presented. Board Approved.

Board came out of closed session at 2:15pm. Steve Halter made motion to adjourn and 2nd by Lisa Aden. Meeting Adjourned.

Next Meeting Date – Tuesday, April 26, 2022 – The meeting will be a Hybrid Meeting