

MINUTES

FVWDB Strategic Programs Committee Meeting

Wednesday, February 27, 2019 James P. Coughlin Center, 625 E County Rd Y, Oshkosh, WI

Members in Attendance: Patti Andresen-Shew, Donna Janda, Henry Merrill, Patty Milka (via phone), Nicole Peterson, David Thiel, Debra Warga, Craig Wehner and Margaret Winn

Members Excused: Tania Kilpatrick, Robert Sivick, and Mark Westphal

Others in Attendance: Mito Kudaka-FVWDB, and Anthony Snyder-FVWDB

Call to Order: Chair Patti Andresen-Shew called the meeting to order at 2 PM.

Introductions: All attendees provided an introduction.

Approval of Agenda (Action Item): A motion to approve the Agenda was made by Ms. Janda, seconded by Mr. Wehner. The motion carried.

Approval of Minutes from 10/25/18 (Action Item): A motion to approve the 10/25/18 Minutes was made by Mr. Merrill, seconded by Ms. Winn. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Program Year 18 Goal and Activity Review: Mr. Kudaka and Mr. Snyder led the committee through a review of the most recent performance snapshots for WIOA Adult, Dislocated Worker, In School Youth, Out of School Youth (including goal of 35% spent on training in Adult and Dislocated Worker programs). Information was also shared about Job Center visits, Title V, Windows to Work and the WAGE\$ Apprenticeship grant. The committee engaged in a lively discussion, asking many questions and agreed that further, more detailed discussion was needed before decisions were made for PY19. Staff were to return to the next meeting with more information. No action taken at this time.

Strategic Planning Update: Mr. Snyder updated the committee on the state of the Board's strategic planning efforts, which have been somewhat delayed due to a nearly all committee and Board meetings being canceled in January and February due to weather.

NEW BUSINESS:

Exception Process: Mr. Kudaka shared his ideas to improve the exception process and forms which will improve the efficiency. The committee asked relevant questions.

Rapid Response: Ms. Janda shared the Board and LETC's recent Rapid Response activity, which includes 1 manufacturer and 6 retail outlets representing 269 potentially dislocated workers.

Voucher Reimbursement Presentation: Mr. Kudaka shared details on the process for the customer voucher reimbursement process, which includes a multitude of steps. Mr. Kudaka indicated some areas of recent improvement, including the interest in several clients agreeing to a direct deposit of their support reimbursements, saving time, postage and searching for lost or misdirected checks.

Dislocated Worker Grant: Mr. Snyder gave a high level overview of this grant being offered by DWD and indicated that the Board would be writing an application shortly to serve a recent group of dislocated workers after the Christmas shopping season.

Brainstorming: Mr. Kudaka had planned to lead the committee through a 30-45 minute brainstorming session on how to increase traffic to job centers as well as ways to diversify the pool of customers to welcome not only who we are seeing but also individuals from other socioeconomic backgrounds. Mr. Kudaka indicated that he would gather the input from the committee electronically and pull it together for a future meeting.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 PM.