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Strategic Programs Committee Meeting

1:30 pm, Thursday, January 5, 2023

Virtual Meeting

Members in Attendance: Ryan Long, Mark Westphal, Kelly Hudson, Debra Warga, Anna Bierer, Jennifer Marks, Craig Wehner, and Henry Merrill.

Members Excused: Patti Milka.

Others in Attendance: Terri Green and Anthony Snyder, FVWDB; and Matalin Schoone, DWD.

Call to Order: Ms. Warga called the meeting to order at 1:34 pm.

Approval of Agenda (*Action Item*): A motion to approve the agenda was made by Craig Wehner, seconded by Jennifer Marks; motion carried.

Approval of Minutes from December 1, 2022, Strategic Programs Committee Meeting (*Action Item*): Anna Bierer made a motion to approve the minutes with a date change, seconded by Kelly Hudson; motion carried.

Approval to change the Supportive Services Policy for WIOA Youth (*Action Item*): Anna Bierer made a motion to approve removing security deposits and insurance as exclusions from the Supportive Service policy for WIOA In-School and Out-of-School Youth; seconded by Ryan Long; motion carried.

Approval to change the Supportive Services Policy for WIOA Adult and Dislocated Worker (*Action Item*): Kelly Hudson made a motion to approve removing security deposits and insurance as exclusions from the Supportive Service policy for WIOA Adult and Dislocated Worker Programs; seconded by Anna Bierer; motion carried.

Approval to change the Training Services Policy for WIOA Adult and Dislocated Worker (*Action Item*): Jennifer Marks made a motion to confirm separate training maximums for WIOA Adult (\$6,000) and for Dislocated Worker (\$6,000) programs; seconded by Anna Bierer; motion carried.

Program Updates: Ms. Green led the committee discussion around length of time a participant spends in their chosen program as well as the amount of support provided when a participant is light on credits. Ms. Green provided an update to the December 21, 2022, training session with career planners which highlighted paying obligations, co-management and forecasting.

Board and Grant Updates: Ms. Green reviewed grant updates, which included performance and enrollment numbers.

Job Center Updates: Within the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, the Division of Employment and Training (DET) and the Division of Unemployment Insurance (UI) work collaboratively to provide the Reemployment Services (RES) program, a formalized program for jobseekers required to

look for work as a condition of receiving UI benefits. Ms. Warga shared that she has had to realign her staff to support the state plan to eliminate a recent backlog of RES participants, leading to more self-service hours in the Fox Cities Job Center - Menasha. Ms. Warga, Regional DWD DET Director for Workforce Development Area 4 (WDA4), announced that she also been assigned as the Interim Regional Director of WDA5, providing opportunities for further collaboration across the expanded region.

The committee will meet next at 1:30 pm on Thursday, February 2, 2023.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 pm.

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