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FVWDB Strategic Programs Committee Meeting

Wednesday, July 31, 2019, at 2:00 PM

James P. Coughlin Center, Room B

625 E County Rd Y, Oshkosh, WI

Members in Attendance: Patti Andresen-Shew, Donna Janda, Henry Merrill, Robert Sivick, David Thiel, Debra Warga, Craig Wehner and Mark Westphal.

Members Excused: Tania Kilpatrick and Margaret Winn.

Others in Attendance: Anthony Snyder-FVWDB

Call to Order: Ms. Andresen-Shew called the meeting to order at 2:03 PM.

Approval of Agenda (Action Item): A motion was made by Mr. Westphal to approve the agenda and seconded by Mr. Sivick. The motion passed.

Approval of Minutes from 5/30/19 Strategic Program Meeting (Action Item): A motion was made by Ms. Warga to approve the 5/30/19 meeting minutes and seconded by Mr. Westphal. The motion passed.

Regular Updates: Mr. Snyder walked the committee through a variety of program reports related to Job Center visits, WIOA Adult, Dislocated Worker and Youth programs; 35% performance goal in Adult and Dislocated Worker training and support, 20% Youth work experience and recent Rapid Response activities. Ms. Janda, an LETC career planner, shared her perspective on the results thus far from PY18. We expect Job Center visits to dip in PY19 as centers convert from full-time to part-time and from staff managed to self-service.

OLD BUSINESS:

National Retail Dislocation Grant: Mr. Snyder shared information on the National Dislocated Retail Grant through the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, including enrollment numbers, ways the grant was being used, a copy of the marketing flyer to promote the grant and a recent news article in the *Post-Crescent* newspaper promoting the grant.

WAGE\$ Apprenticeship Grant: (Action Item): Mr. Snyder reviewed current activities in the WAGE\$ grant, including a planned Certified Industrial Manufacturing Technical Pre-Apprenticeship Training set to begin in September at Fox Valley Technical College. Based on the location of the companies interested in possibly hiring the pre-apprentices, because the training was created by FVTC and was part

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of the Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards certification process, staff recommended a sole source contract for the training be awarded to FVTC. **A motion was made by Mr. Thiel and seconded by Ms. Janda to award the training contract to FVTC as a sole source award not to exceed \$30,000. The motion passed. Mr. Merrill abstained.**

Committee Role in Strategic Planning: The committee discussed the future of job centers in our region and began to further flesh out the possibility of how to establish an online assistant to assist individuals remotely via their job search. Mr. Snyder to consider discussions with vendors and to determine a location to launch a pilot this fiscal year.

NEW BUSINESS:

WIOA Youth Waitlist: Mr. Snyder shared information on the Board's plan to begin waitlist for WIOA Youth seeking training. Such a waitlist is necessary in order to ensure that all existing Youth can complete their training first. The need for a waitlist is a result of reduced WIOA funding this program year.

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National Association of Counties Resolution: Mr. Snyder shared a resolution from the July 12-15 annual meeting of the National Association of Counties. During the meeting, delegates approved a resolution sent to the Department of Labor that stressed the importance of properly funding workforce boards and stressed the need for continued local vs. state control over workforce development efforts.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 PM.

The next **Strategic Programs Committee Meeting** will be held on August 28, 2019 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM, location to be determined.