



## MINUTES

### FVWDB Strategic Programs Committee Meeting

Thursday, September 2, 2021, 2:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

**Members in Attendance:** Henry Merrill, Debra Warga, and Craig Wehner.

**Members Excused:** Patty Milka, Tania Kilpatrick, and Mark Westphal.

**Others in Attendance:** Terri Green, Bobbi Miller and Anthony Snyder – FVWDB.

**Call to Order:** Mr. Merrill called the meeting to order at 2:32 PM

**Approval of Agenda (*Action Item*):** A motion was made by Mr. Wehner to approve the agenda, and seconded by Ms. Warga; motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes from 8/10/21 Strategic Programs Committee Meeting (*Action Item*):** A motion was made by Mr. Wehner to approve the minutes, and seconded by Ms. Warga; motion carried.

**Committee Composition:** Ms. Warga has accepted the role of committee Chair. Appreciation was given to Mr. Merrill for providing interim leadership. Discussion around new members took place with multiple people being named as potential members. Several committee members agreed to reach out and will share the results with Ms. Green. The December meeting will remain virtual and meeting format will be discussed at that time.

**Program Performance:** Ms. Green shared the end-of-fiscal-year report card for our sub recipient, Labor Education and Training Council (LETC), which led to discussions covering Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) performance measures and Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) monitoring questions. The Board exceeded most WIOA performance measures. Ms. Green also provided some sample reports to be used in the future for all customer-facing grant programs.

**Programs:** Ms. Miller provided an update on the most recent rapid response event with Clearwater Paper as well as the results from a survey completed by the employers that participated in the private job fair for Clearwater employers. LETC enrolled 26 former Clearwater Paper employees in the WIOA Dislocated Worker program. Ms. Miller shared detailed on the October 12, 2021, Oshkosh Job Fair at the Menominee Nation Arena. Finally, Ms. Miller was recognized for securing a \$399,000 DWD Fast Forward Grant for an employer in our region.

**One Stop Operator (OSO):** Ms. Warga updated the committee on the job center status in Fond du Lac and Menasha.

**New Business:** Ms. Miller updated the committee on recent developments with the business project introduced in our previous meeting. The project is on temporary hold, awaiting a new chair from the committee. Mr. Snyder shared information on multiple grants secured by the FVWDB since the last meeting: Collaboration of Wisconsin (COW) – serving individuals working in rural healthcare; and Pathways, serving individuals pre- and post-release from local prisons, jails and other institutions. A grant application was written for the Worker Advancement Initiative (WAI) to secure our share of Governor Evers’ \$20 million “Badger Bounce Back” dollars. We expect to receive word on our application shortly.

**2021 Meeting Schedule:** The next full committee meeting will be 2:30-4 pm on December 2, 2021.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm.

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