



WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD, INC.

An Investment in Today's Workforce for Tomorrow's Future

Youth Council Meeting September 5, 2012 1:00 p.m.

Members Present: Al Hesse (FVWDB), Kim Lemieux (FVWDB), Tania Kilpatrick (CESA #6), Jill Valdez (FVWDB), Melissa Kohn (FVTC Oshkosh), Joan Koch (St of WI Juvenile Probation and Parole), Megan Liptow (Marian University)

Members Absent: Jeni Erb (Waupaca School District), Kim Esselman (Housing Authority), Lori Fields (Boys & Girls Oshkosh), Dr. Geigle (Oshkosh Area School District), Patty Milka (Fox Cities Chamber), Jim Richmond (Waupaca School District), Lisa Schneider (Housing Partnership of the Fox Cities)

Others present: Beth Reinke (FVWDB)

Call to Order: Ms. Kohn called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m.

Introduction and Welcome New Members: Megan Liptow new member from Marian University

Approval of Minutes from April 19, 2012 meeting: Ms. Koch made the motion to approve the minutes of April 19, 2012 meeting. Ms. Kohn second. Minutes approved.

Outagamie County Update: Mr. Hesse discussed Outagamie County exiting from our WDB and moving to Bay Area WDB. Mr. Hesse attended the CWI meeting where the Outagamie County request to leave was discussed and voted on. It is now in the hands of the Governor to sign. We then have 30 days to contest it - FVWDB will not be contesting Outagamie county leaving. Mr. Hesse discussed the fact that BAWDB (Bay Area Workforce Development Board) will be doing RFP's (Request for Proposals) for all programs offered in Outagamie which is a bit of a conflict from what they originally stated. Initially BAWDB was going to keep subcontractors for the remaining program year. Effective date of the move is October 1, 2012.

Subcontractor update – Workforce Economics – Mr. Hesse discussed the fact that WE, Inc. (Workforce Economics, Inc.) will no longer exist as of October 1, 2012. Current sub-contractors are WE, LETC, Advocap. Mr. Hesse will ask the One Stop Committee to sole source with the other two sub-contractors.

Current WIA Youth Program Providers and Performance Report – Ms. Lemieux handed out the Performance Report especially noting that FVWDB 'exceeded' the standards. Youth subcontractors which helped attain the goal are ADVOCAP, WE, Inc.,

& CESA. With Outagamie County leaving, there is no new Youth RFP - we are reaching out to the other agencies about absorbing the impacted counties.

H1B Grant – Jill Valdez – Ms. Valdez gave an update on her new position in H1B Healthcare Grant. This is a federal grant that gives assistance to companies to help with OJT's. The criterion is very specific to qualify for this grant. Ms. Valdez is actively meeting with nursing facilities and schools in an effort to get this off the ground. In speaking with the Youth Council, she hoped to educate members on the parameters of the grant to help gain a foot-hold in the youth arena.

K-12 Updates – The portion of FVWDB that handled the youth outreach like Reality Stores, interviewing sessions, career games, etc., has gone away. Kim is working with Patty Milka at Fox Cities Chamber of Commerce to keep the youth programs going. Tania Kilpatrick has volunteered to help keep this going as far as storing the items, offering transportation to get the Reality Store props to the various schools and with organization. FOCUS and STEM activities in the Oshkosh area are currently on stand-by waiting for someone to take over. Ms. Kohn suggested writing for grants to Career Transition. It is a fund that helps with youth activities. She thinks they would be available to help financially with some youth events.

Other Business – none

Adjourn –Ms. Koch made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Kohn second. There was no further discussion and the meeting was adjourned at 2:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Al Hesse