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Strategic Programs Committee Meeting

1:00 pm, Thursday, November 2, 2023

Virtual Meeting

Members in Attendance: Mindie Boynton, Robyn Hallet, Ryan Long, Jennifer Marks, Sarah Pantol, Shannon Shultz, Debbie Warga, and Craig Wehner.

Others in Attendance: Terri Green, Brent Sanderfoot, and Anthony Snyder, FVWDB.

Call to Order: Ms. Pantol called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm.

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

Approval of Minutes from 10.5.2023, Strategic Programs Committee Meeting (Action Item): Ms. Hallet made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Ms. Marks; motion carried.

Program Review: Mr. Sanderfoot kicked off the discussion with a review of the Pathways Home and Windows to Work. Ms. Green shared an update on Title V and Ms. Marks reviewed the remaining grants. Each speaker outlined the grant mission, outcomes and current enrollments.

Outreach Strategies for Recruitment: Ms. Marks gave an overview of the recruitment strategies for the grants that they manage. Collaboration of Wisconsin, QUEST and Support to Communities being identified as being their focus based on spending limits and the date in which the grants end.

Rapid Response: Ms. Marks shared that WDA4 has seen a slight increase in the number of businesses closing. A rapid response team has been created to work with dislocated workers sharing how workforce development can assist them as they navigate their new situation. University of Oshkosh is the largest and most pressing layoff at this time. Rapid response sessions have been set up with invitations sent out to those that will be dislocated. The team is working on their approach and will update at the next committee meeting.

Outcome Evaluation: Ms. Green updated the committee on her quest to obtain data from the Department of Workforce development (DWD). The information is not readily available. To capture what is needed to prove the committee's assumptions on various policy changes will require more research and assistance from DWD. Ms. Green has contacted DWD and will keep the committee updated as more information is available.

Obligation Process Overview: Ms. Green gave an overview, using the Salesforce system, of how a client obligation is processed by WDA4. The goal is to find a more streamlined procedure to pay client obligations. Mr. Wehner offered a separate meeting to show how his area processes their obligations systematically.

Job Center Updates:

- Mr. Snyder reported that there was no news on the impending move of the Fox Valley Job Center – Menasha from the Goodwill Campus to a new location within Workforce Development Area 4 (WDA4
- Ms. Warga provided an update showcasing visitor counts and the various services provided by the Job Centers as well as an update on job fairs.

Next Meeting: The Strategic Programs Committee will meet next at 1 pm on Thursday, December 7, 2023.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2:54 pm.

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