Mission ...

Western Wisconsin WDB is a collaborative, interactive and coordinated network of training resources and support services that is providing and retaining a well-skilled labor force for employers in western Wisconsin.

Vision ...

To provide a comprehensive and integrated and customer-driven and results-oriented system for workforce development that responds to the needs of the employers, job seekers, incumbent workers and youth.

Western Wisconsin WDB Operations Committee

Thursday, November 17, 2022 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Western Wisconsin



Upcoming Meetings

Thursday, February 23, 2023 Thursday, May 25, 2023

Committee Members

Steve Blodgett Amy Grotzke Pat Rodriguez

Bill Brockmiller Amanda Langrehr Dave Schams

Pete Eide Doug Potapenko Tonya Wagner

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I. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Call to Order

Ms. Myers called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m. A quorum was present as indicated by roll call.

B. Announcements and Introductions Introductions were made.

II. ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. Meeting Minutes — June 16, 2022

Motion made (Schams/Grotzke)to approve the June 16, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

B. WIOA Youth Discussion

Ms. Burkhardt began the discussion by reporting current enrollment numbers: 10 enrolled, three are pending enrollment; a few participants will be dropping into follow up status and she has a couple of referrals to begin work with.

Ms. Burkhardt outlined her goal of having at least one participant from each county and said she and Ms. Altimus are working on this by making phone calls, putting up flyers, using social media (Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn and Twitter). They are also working on memorandums of understanding with businesses outside La Crosse. She stated Western Technical College has been great at referring students and she is now reaching out to its satellites campuses for additional referrals.

Other program goals Ms. Burkhardt has includes: developing a summer program and expand coenrollments.

Committee members had the following suggestions, ideas and questions:

Mr. Rodriguez said Market and Johnson has been a great youth apprenticeship partner and could be an additional resource for the youth program. Ms. Langrehr said CESA has made a great connection with students working on building projects within schools and Ms. Wagner said Viterbo is starting non-credit programs that could fit with WIOA. Mr. Schams asked about the interview process for work experiences. Ms. Altimus explained an employer has the change to interview the candidate to see if he/she has the skills for the job. The Western Wisconsin WDB then pays wages and workers compensation.

Ms. Scarborough spoke on the program's measurable skills gains. MSGs are one of five program measures and are based on people in training, including high school. Those in training for a program year have to meet certain benchmarks and achieve documented progress. The youth program was at risk with the state because of these measures, but has since moved out of that status.

III. CONCLUSION

A. Old Business None.

B. New Business

Motion made (Schams/Potapenko) for Mr. Rodriguez to become committee chair. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

Respectfully recorded, Jessie Quinn, recorder Respectfully submitted,
Pat Rodriguez, committee chair

Respectfully submitted, Pat Rodriguez

Jessie Quinn

Present

Amy Grotzke
Amanda Langrehr
Doug Potapenko
Pat Rodriguez
Dave Schams
Tonya Wagner

Not Present

Steve Blodgett Bill Brockmiller Pete Eide Others Present

Hannah Altimus Michelle Burkhardt Gidget Gade Melisa Myers Amy Scarborough Jessie Quinn