

Local Area III Workforce Investment Board Minutes
Leavenworth County Courthouse
300 Walnut Street, Leavenworth, KS
Tuesday, March 28, 2006

WIB MEMBERS PRESENT: Chuck Ahner, Steve Christensen, David Cleveland, Karen DeOrnellas, Judy Gifford, David Huston, Brenda Jones, Lin Knudson, K.J. Langlais, Walter Lantz, Jerry Leonard, Lynn McClure, Ed McInnis, Lonnie Myklebust, Donald Nelson, Kathy Shackelford, William Shipley, Johnny Stevenson, James Thompson, Juan Yanez

WIB MEMBERS ABSENT: Jeffrey Abbott, Paul Clay, Matt Dority, Karen Griffin, Steve Hougland, LaDora Jackson, Michael Keenan, Wendell Maddox, Wayne Maichel, Gina McCullough, and Lori Trumbo

WIB STAFF PRESENT: Scott Anglemyer, Brenda Wilson

CEOB MEMBERS PRESENT: Don Navinsky

ONE-STOP OPERATOR STAFF PRESENT: Kent Eckles, Jeanie Guthrie, Erich Ulmer, John Casner, KCK Workforce Center; Mary Sue Kelly, Overland Park Workforce Center; Dennis Sutter, Leavenworth Workforce Center

GUESTS PRESENT: Rose Day, Unemployment Insurance; Dan Fletcher, Older Kansans Employment Program; Michael Van Stine, Beverly Health Care; Michele Boschetto, Kansas Registered Apprenticeship Program; Michael Smith, U.S. Department of Labor – Office of Apprenticeship; Carla Tillmon, Job Readiness Training; Sam Satterfield, Dream Works

Call to Order

Karen DeOrnellas called the meeting to order. A quorum was established.

Procedural Agenda

Comments from the public

There were no comments from the public.

Approval of WP Board minutes, Executive Committee minutes

Karen asked if there were any changes to the minutes from the January 24th Board meeting and Executive Committee meetings from February and March 14, 2006. There were no changes or additions.

Financial reports were reviewed. Juan Yanez asked why funds haven't been spent in the Adult and Dislocated Worker Programs. Scott stated that we had to spend old money before we could spend new money. We experienced problems in the past where we were spending program dollars too fast. We did a policy change late last year that would change the way funds were spent. David Cleveland stated that this is not just a state issue it is a national issue. Walter Lantz stated that financial reports needed to list deadlines as to when program monies needed to be spent. Jim Thompson moved that the minutes and financial reports be approved. Juan Yanez seconded. Motion carried.

Kansas 1st Presentation

Karen DeOrnellas introduced Dave Cleveland, who is the Direct Services Director of Kansas 1st. Dave presented the board with a handout which coincided with a slide-show

presentation which gave an overview of what Kansas 1st is all about. Dave explained that Kansas 1st is a workforce solutions system committed to providing skilled employees for employers and jobs for Kansans. The Kansas 1st is a “demand driven” system which is comprised of an integrated combination of federal and state funded workforce and economic development programs. Kansas 1st strategic objective is to transition from a grant-funded model to a training provider model in partnership with Kansas post-secondary institutions. The information provided was very informative and gave a better understanding of Kansas 1st.

Memorandum of Understanding Update

Scott presented the board with a progress report on the MOU process. The report gave detailed information regarding which partners have signed and who we had left to attain information from. The Department of Commerce has stated that they will help us obtain signatures if needed. Walter Lantzy asked what would happen if we don't have 2 or 3 signed by the deadline. Scott stated that the board could possibly be decertified. There would probably be some “slack” as long as we provided a list of who we needed to get signatures from. Scott does not want to rely on the “slack” he will make sure that all signatures are obtained. Once we have all MOU's in place, this will give us the frame work of the One-Stop.

Local Services RFP Update

Karen referred to an e-mail she sent recommending that the board delay the effective date of the Local Services RFP. This is due to several reasons, one being that it would not be feasible to disrupt services in the middle of a program year. The program year runs from July 1 to June 30. There would also be a transitioning period which could also disrupt the flow of services. During discussion on this issue, some board members felt that the actual RFP should be out for at least six months before the change in services. K.J. Langlais motioned that the board would issue the RFP to initiate services of the One-Stop Operator to begin July 1, 2007, which would mean the vote on who the operator will be would take place at or before the March 2007 WIB meeting. Kathy Shackelford seconded. Motion carried.

Appointment of Nominating Committee

Karen stated to the board that there are two positions that are up for re-election this year. One is the position of the Board Chair; the other is the position of Secretary. Both terms expire June 30, 2006. Lonnie Myklebust, Kathy Shackelford and Ed McInnis volunteered to serve on the Nominating Committee.

One-Stop Operator

Kent Eckles stated that the Department of Commerce will not participate in the RFP for the relocation of the Kansas City One-Stop. They felt that it would not be a good idea to be tied to a ten year lease if there was no guarantee that they would be the One-Stop Operator.

Eligible Training Provider Committee

Erich Ulmer gave this report. He presented the board with a hand out with recommendations of programs that were up for approval. Each report showed program completion rates and entered employment rates. Based upon the information presented, Juan Yanez moved that El Centro's program, Keyboards to Success, would be approved for an extension of conditional re-certification through June 28, 2006. Dave Cleveland seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.