

Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes

**Wednesday, February 9, 2022
10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

**Workforce Development Board
via Conference Call
(312) 626-6799
Meeting ID: 947 6243 6452**

Members: Francis Langer, Chair; Todd Kearney, Chair-Elect; Pam Christenson, Secretary; Marcia Christiansen, Kathy Cromey, Michelle Eilbes, Randy Guttenberg, Lindsay Jones, Chuck Klein, Jennifer Klein, Margaret Leitinger, Ann McNeary, Linda Mingus, Melissa Montey, Nikia Morton, Charles Poches, Lisa Pollard, Dave Robinson, Elizabeth Roddy, Dave Shaw, Calvin White Eagle, Bryan Woodhouse

Staff: Seth Lentz, Lameece Tyne, Jackie Hall, Jeff Westra, Chris Ziegel

Guests: Jessica Cioci, Jon Danforth, Julie Enloe, Donna Jost, Greg Markle, Sylvia Ramirez, Melissa Sanchez-Cruz

Agenda Item 1 – Introductions & Announcements

Langer welcomed everyone, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m., and noted there was no one registered for public comment.

Agenda Item 2 – Review and Approval of the December 8, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

Langer asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2021 Full Board meeting minutes as presented. Leitinger moved to approve and Kearney offered the second. No discussion followed on this motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Agenda Item 3 – Presentation on the Workforce Innovation Grant Program

Lentz provided a brief introduction for recipients of the Workforce Innovation Grant (WIG) program.

Jessica Cioci, Donna Jost, and Sylvia Ramirez; Madison College provided a detailed overview of the opportunities and timeline of their goals under the WIG program.

Greg Markle, Executive Director of Operation Fresh Start provided a detailed overview of the opportunities and timeline of their goals under the WIG program.

Agenda Item 4 – Report of the Committees

Langer summarized topics covered at the December 21st Executive Committee meeting, including grant updates, takeaways from local and state monitoring, staffing strategies for the Worker Advancement Initiative (WAI) grant, and personnel matters.

Leitinger summarized topics covered at the January 25th Planning & Development Committee meeting, including grant updates, takeaways from the monitoring of the local Adult and Dislocated Worker program operators, DWD monitoring, status of job center operations, recent dislocation activities, new partner collaboration efforts, and discussion surrounding implementation of the Adult Incentive Policy.

Guttenberg summarized topics covered at the January 27th Youth Committee meeting, including new co-chair introduction for Elizabeth Roddy, introduction of new Committee member Hugh Wing, grant and monitoring updates, revision proposals for the Youth Incentive Policy, and an overview presentation on a grant received by the City of Madison from the National League of Cities.

Leitinger inquired on the differences between the adult incentive policy and the youth incentive policy.

Lentz mentioned WIOA legislation allows for WIOA Youth incentives but does not allow for WIOA Adult incentives. The funding under the Worker Advancement Initiative grant provides WIOA Adults with eligibility for incentives.

Agenda Item 5 – Updates

Lentz referred Members to the *Grants Summary Handout* and the *January 2022 Dislocation Activity Handout*.

McNeary expressed her appreciation for the materials.

Agenda Item 6 – Meeting Adjournment

Langer recognized board staff for another great year in workforce development.

With no additional business for the Board, Langer made a motion to adjourn at 11:15 a.m.

Adjourned: 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Pam Christenson
Board Secretary
Workforce Development Board of South Central Wisconsin, Inc.

Attachment for Board Records:

- Minutes from December 8, 2021
- Grants Summary Handout
- January 2022 Dislocation Activity Handout
- December 2021 Financials
- MATC WIG Handouts
- OFS WIG Handouts

