One-Stop Operator Oversight (OSOO) Committee March 24, 2021 Virtual Conference Call - GoToMeeting Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Randy Vernon-chair Steve Snyder

Members Absent: Alicia Hanawalt

Staff Present: Deb Waymire Tina Overley-Hilt

Staff Absent: Mellisa Leaming

Welcome

Chair Randy Vernon called the meeting to order at 9:35AM and welcomed those in attendance. A quorum was present to approve the OSOO meeting minutes from January 27, 2021.

A motion was made to approve the OSOO meeting minutes from January 27, 2021 as presented.

Motion: Steve Snyder Second: Randy Vernon

Action: Unanimous approval

New Business

The committee had a discussion on the best meeting time for One-Stop Operator Oversight Committee. Options include selecting a different meeting date, meet prior to the WDB Meeting, or continue meeting after the WDB meeting and receive more detail on similar WDB agenda items. Members agreed that the current date and time works best. If information is time sensitive, it would be presented at the Executive Committee meeting.

DWD Monitoring Exit Conference

The DWD monitoring exit conference was held on March 12, 2021. The monitoring team provided general observations and feedback which was all positive. The final review report which is more detailed has not been received. The more detailed report may provide addition information or concerns. One minor concern noted was a missing link for the Spanish version of the WorkOne Survey. Overall the positive feedback reflects the good work of the WorkOne staff.

WorkOne Center Certification

The certification process was completed on February 19, 2021, submitted and is under review by DWD. We are waiting to hear from DWD of any issues or problems but none are expected since the responsibility is on the certification review team of the Board to conduct the review and submit the information. Thank you Randy and Steve for assisting in the certification process.

WIOA Service Provision/One Stop Operator RFP

WIOA One-Stop Operator and Service Provision Request for Proposal will be sent out on Friday, March 26, 2021. Region 4 is looking for an organization who would like to provide one-stop operator services and services for adults, dislocated workers, and youth, across our 12-county region. The RFP includes an increased focus for the service provider to have dedicated staff for apprenticeships and on-the-job training. The request for service provision is sent out to known providers, to all regions for forwarding to interested individuals, and posted on the Board website and DWD website. Four to six venders have responded in the past. It will be a 2-year agreement from July 1, 2021-June 30, 2023 with an options for two, 1-year extensions. Board members are asked to volunteer to serve on the review team. At the January 27th OSOO meeting, Steve Snyder and Alicia Hanawalt volunteered to serve on the WIOA Service Provision Review team.

Local Plan Modifications

DWD reviewed the plan and responded with a request for more information in three areas: 1.) clarification on the difference between In-School Youth and Out-of-School Youth services; 2.) provide strength and weaknesses of the ISY and OSY services, 3.) how are needs of businesses determined. The revisions were minor and have been completed. The plan will be re-submitted to DWD on March 25, 2021.

Rural Healthcare Grant

The Rural Healthcare grant is the grant received from USDOL effective February 1, 2021. We are working through the DOL orientation process of the grant. Region 4 is managing the grant for the other eight regions and waiting for the pre-award information from the other regions involved with the grant. USDOL is modifying their data system to which data elements need to be collected for reporting. Participants will be co-enrolled in WIOA and the State data system will be used to collect information.

WIOA Performance PY 20 2nd Quarter

Region 4 is meeting all performance measures at attaining 90% of the performance goal which is considered "meeting performance." Region 4's higher goal is to attain 100% of each performance metric. The time periods being considered are beginning to reflect the period affected by COVID. We will continue to track the effect of COVID on our metrics. Region 4 receives 6% of the allocations and serve 10% of the participants.

Conversation about New Funding

As follow up to the discussion during the Board meeting, there are multiple workforce issues across many employers. Most grants we receive have very stringent eligibility requirements. If the new funding could be similar to the past 'Skill Up' grant, it would allow us to be more innovative and responsive to employer needs.

Old Business

None

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Steve Snyder

Second: Randy Vernon
Action: Unanimous approval

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 AM

Respectfully submitted, Tina Overley-Hilt Executive Assistant Region 4 Workforce Board