

Workforce Investment Board of Will County
Location: Joliet Junior College Renaissance Center
214 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet
February 4, 2013
Minutes

BOARD MEMBERS					
Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Mary Bertolini		X	Allison Lizzadro	X	
Tom Bloodgood	X		Colleen Mathy	X	
Herb Brooks	X		Cheryl McCarthy	X	
Jayne Cain Casimere	X		Peter McLenighan	X	
Debra Daniels	X		Don Moran	X	
Gregory Dover	X		Jim Moustis	X	
Susan Flessner		X	Pat Mudron	X	
Cornell Graves		X	Guadalupe Preston	X	
John Greuling		X	Jim Rink	X	
Monica Guillory		X	Steve Rockwell		X
Pam Heavens		X	Suzanne Sallay	X	
Rita Herrick	X		Christine Sanchez		X
Lyle Hicks	X		Gayle Stricklin		X
Carlos Interial	X		Joe Strong		X
Mark Jepson		X	James Tromp	X	
Bob Klein	X		Betty Yott	X	
Barb Ladner	X				

Others Present: Pat Fera, Mary Gajcak, Nick Palmer, Calvin Quarles, Gina Tuminello, and Paige Vanderhyden.

Welcome and Minutes

Greg Dover called the meeting to order. Introductions were made. The minutes of the December 10, 2012 meeting were approved on a motion by Don Moran, seconded by Barb Ladner.

Old Business

Pat Fera gave the Board an overview of the proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the Will County Workforce System that was approved at the last meeting. She noted that after a Department of Labor monitoring finding that Wagner-Peysner services were not offered at the One-Stop Center in Joliet, the proposed second designated One-Stop Center at IDES-Bolingbrook which will offer Wagner-Peysner services on-site as well as all resource room services that are offered at the Joliet One-Stop Center was created.

Presentation

Kelly O'Brien from the Tri-State Alliance gave a presentation on the Chicago Tri-State Metropolitan Area OECD Territorial Review Synopsi.

New Business

The State received 11 million dollars for an Illinois Pathways Initiative Grant. Five Workforce Areas in the Chicago Metro Region partnered along with seven community colleges and seven Economic Development organizations will be applying for this grant. This grant will be used to develop, evaluate and sustain regional manufacturing partnerships that coordinate state economic development, workforce and education resources to meet the immediate needs of employers and job seekers in Manufacturing.

Fera reported that every three years, the US Department of Labor and the State Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity negotiate the nine performance measures for Adult and Dislocated Workers customers put into training and for youth in the C2E youth program. Fera distributed the performance measures for PY13 (July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013). The new performance measures are slightly higher in Adult and Dislocated Worker measures, and much higher for the three youth measures. Will County has continuously met and exceeded the previous measures.

System and Trends Committee

The System and Trends Committee recommended six new programs be added to the Illinois Provider Certification list: University of St. Francis – Project Management Professional, Governors State University – Certificate in Health Care Informatics, Master of Health Administration (MHA), Healthcare Training Institute – Basic Certified Nursing Assistant Training Program, Electrocardiograph Technician Program, Patient Care Technician Program. All six programs met the minimum requirements and were approved on a motion by Don Moran, seconded by Pete McLenighan. Lyle Hicks abstained.

New language was added to the Career Scholarship policy stating that Career Scholarships will not be awarded for programs that are provided exclusively in an “on-line” method. If an on-line class is part of a multi-course program, exceptions to this policy can be made by the Administrative Manager of the Workforce Services Division of Will County. This revision was approved on a motion by Don Moran, seconded by Barb Ladner.

The Board reviewed the Dashboard Overview Report. The report gives a snapshot of customers served, dollars spent on training by industry sector, job growth and unemployment rates.

The Board also reviewed *Where are the Jobs Report*. This report is an indicator of jobs available and is created from an online program that uses web spider crawler technology to scour online job boards.

Youth Council

The final agenda for the 2013 Youth Provider Networking Summit was reviewed. The Summit will be held on Friday, April 12, 2013. This will be the second summit that is sponsored by Workforce Investment Board and MAPP (Mobilizing for Action through Planning & Partnerships) member agencies. Wayne Messmer will be the motivational speaker.

The Committee reviewed the December Connect 2 Employment (C2E) report. There are currently 118 participants enrolled in the program.

Manager's Report

Fera distributed the new Fiscal Report and the latest Layoff Report.

Next Meeting

The next Workforce Investment Board meeting will be on April 8, 2013 at 7:30 am. The meeting location will be Joliet Junior College Renaissance Center in the Amerifed Room, 214 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet, IL 60432.