

System and Trends Committee
Workforce Investment Board of Will County
 Location: Workforce Center of Will County, 2400 Glenwood Avenue, Joliet
November 21, 2018

Minutes

Committee Members:					
Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Nancy Baldwin		X	Kraig Kistingner	X	
Bonnie Covelli		X	Don Moran	X	
Susan Flessner		X	Jim Rink		X
Augie Fuentes		X	Suzanne Sallay	X	
Beth Gonzalez	X		Anitarice Schmidt		X
Rita Herrick	X		Michele Smith		X
Carlos Interrial	X		Jim Tromp	X	
Others present:					
Sue Davinger	Mary Gajcak		Caroline Portlock		

Welcome and Approval of Minutes

Herrick called the meeting to order. Minutes of the September 19, 2018 meeting were approved on a motion by Sallay, seconded by Moran.

Workforce Center

Center update: Portlock delivered the Center Update. IDES held its first live-streamed workshop. 343 people logged on to view the workshop. Self-registration is performing as well as planned. Customers are now taking advantage of more services due to the service menu selection feature of the process. Fera Consulting is wrapping up its Business Services contract. Pat Fera will deliver an overview at the December WIB meeting.

Utilization Report: Herrick reviewed the October FY18 report, noting that service numbers are riding above last year's. Portlock added that GED's presence on site as well as adult information sessions and a variety of workshops have accounted for these numbers.

Service Analysis Report: Portlock distributed a copy of the PY Service Analysis Report. The Report has been designed predominantly for viewing on-line. Hard copies will be sent to Legislators and the Will County Board for their perusal.

Business Services

On-the-Job Training Program: Herrick remarked that Employer & Employee Services (E&ES) has continued to grow at a steady pace. Staffing is now solid. Portlock reported that Dan Fitzpatrick is no longer with E&ES. Stacy Kregel has been promoted within the company. In October, 31 new business were contacted, 17 new participants were enrolled, and there are 245 current employer openings available.

Incumbent Worker/Training Grants Program: Herrick noted that \$30,650 has been utilized to date, and that a healthy \$219,000 remains budgeted for Training Grants.

Gajcak reviewed two new applications for approval:

1. Prater Industries of Bolingbrook was referred by IMEC, the same company that will perform the training. Thirty-two people will receive training, and \$18,995 will be used. Kistingner moved to approve Prater Industries' application for Grant. Moran seconded. Motion carried.
2. MRC Polymers of Romeoville has applied for training of nine employees to be trained in divided sessions; one session for Supervisors, and one for Managers. Training will begin in January. Contract amounts to \$15,870. The Grant was approved on a motion by Kistingner, seconded by Interrial.

Meeting adjourned.

The next meeting will be held on January 16, 2019 at 7:30 am at the WCWC.