

**System and Trends Committee
Workforce Investment Board of Will County
September 9, 2020**

Minutes

Committee Members:					
Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Rocky Caylor		X	Kraig Kisting	X	
Susan Flessner	X		Damien McDonald		X
Beth Gonzalez	X		Josh Potter	X	
Maribeth Hearn	X		Anitarice Schmidt		X
Rita Herrick	X		Michele Smith	X	
Carlos Interrial	X		Jim Tromp	X	
Others present:					
Susan Davinger	Mary Gajcak		Caroline Portlock		

Per the Governor's Executive Order, this meeting was held virtually using Webex platform.

Welcome

Co-Chair Carlos Interrial opened the meeting.

Minutes

Minutes of the July 8, 2020 meeting was approved on a motion by Potter and seconded by Gonzalez. Motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

Workforce Center - Flessner

- Due to enhanced restrictions for Will County pertaining to Covid-19, the opening date has been postponed. Pending State directives, opening date is yet to be determined. Resource Room is ready for reopening.
- The second Drive-Through Job Fair is scheduled for September 23rd (September 30th Rain Date), at the Frankfort Township Office from 4-6:00 pm. A third drive through job fair is being planned for October in Romeoville.

Programs/Reports

Training Programs – Programs submitted by Governors State University for the State Training Provider list were reviewed. Four programs qualified for approval; however, the Legal Nurse Consultant Training Course did not meet minimum entry wage standards. Gonzalez motioned to approve four programs and reject one as recommended; Kisting seconded. Motion carried on unanimous roll call vote.

Business Services

On-the-Job Training Report – the August 2020 report was reviewed.

Business Grants Report:

Emergency (1E) Assistance Grant – Portlock presented an overview of funds awarded to Will County businesses for the Emergency (1E) Assistance Grant. This lay-off aversion grant was available to LWIA's statewide through an application process. DCEO's funding announcement came in April; the first awards were announced in June and a second round of awards have recently been announced. Staff continues to work with local businesses to assist in the application process. The LWIA's will be responsible for recording and reporting reimbursements to the State.

Meeting adjourned.

The next meeting of the System and Trends Committee is scheduled for November 4, 2020.