

MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL REGION WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

August 26, 2015

Chairman Kathy Groves called the Board to order at 11:05 a.m.

C-WIB members in attendance were, Barbie Banks, T.R. Dudley, Sharon Gibson, Kathy Groves, Curtis Koelling, Nancy Montgomery, Melody Nichols, Elizabeth Perkins, Amy Sublett, Pat Thurston, Russ Unger, and Tammy Walker.

C-WIB members absent were Denise Boeckmann, Matt Hurley, Brian Johnson, Windy Johnson, Patrick Kelly, David Miller, Vicki Nelson, Susan Streit, Betty Jo Sydenstricker, and Dewey Thompson.

C-WIB staff in attendance included Executive Director Jan Vaughn, Alex Blackwell, Alan Galindo, Linda Gray, Jacque Moreland, and Kevin Stadler.

Other attendees included Presiding Commissioner Kenneth Kunze, Patti Meldrum and Dana Keller with Gamm, Inc.

Introduction of Guests

The new WIB members and guests introduced themselves. The new board members are Melody Nichols representing the Family Service Division (FSD), Barbie Banks representing the Adult Education and Literacy (AEL) program, and Curtis Koelling representing organized labor with the painters local. Today's guest are Patti Meldrum and Dana Keller with Gamm, Inc. Dana has been hired as the Executive Director of Gamm, Inc., and is replacing Patti who will be retiring.

Approval of Agenda

N. Montgomery made a motion to approve the agenda, and R. Unger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Minutes

K. Groves asked if there was any discussion on the June 24, 2015 minutes? R. Unger made a motion to approve the minutes, and P. Thurston seconded; all in favor, motion passed.

Monthly Financials

Jacque Moreland presented the budget for PY2014 as of June 30, 2015. The financial reports were distributed to C-WIB members in advance of the meeting. The budget is a little over 7 million. Currently we are 75% expended overall. C-WIB Administrative Entity is at 100%, GAMM is at 87%, COPIC 100%, Youth (Preferred Family Healthcare) is at 55%.

Jacque presented the budget for PY2015 as of July 31, 2015. The budget is a little over 5.8 million. Currently we are 7% expended overall. C-WIB Administrative Entity is at 3%, GAMM is at 7%, COPIC 8%, Youth (Preferred Family Healthcare) is at 12%.

Included in the report are the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures by line item which includes the current period actual and the current year actual, and a comparison from last year to this year so you can see the increase or decrease. Discussion was held on the financial report.

R. Unger made a motion to approve the financial budget as presented, and N. Montgomery seconded; there were no objections.

Monthly Reports

The May reports were distributed to C-WIB members in advance of the meeting. As of August 1, 2015 the new terminology for the Career Centers is Missouri Job Center. We will then be in line with the National Job Centers mandate.

K. Stadler explained the handout report to the board members. Included in the handout is Performance Information, WIA Adult Program, Dislocated Worker, Youth Program, and best practice and success stories from the Functional Leaders of the Missouri Job Centers.

Discussion was held on Senate Bill 24 which begins on January 1, 2016. This bill modifies provisions of law relating to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, and could impact up to 9,000 households losing funding.

New Projects Update

A. Blackwell reported on two new projects we are working on. One is the Childcare Pilot Program with the Children's Division of Family Services and be piloted in all Central Region Job Centers. The first planning meeting was in August. Implementation of the program will be in October. The program will help the participants receive faster child care assistance determination. This may bring more people into the Job Centers in order to complete an FSD child care assistance application in which case we can offer other Job Center services as an added benefit to them.

The other project is a five-year grant funded through the Health and Human Services to allow additional funding for healthcare occupations. This grant will provide training opportunities for under skilled recipients.

Discussion was held on the Summer Youth Corp program and the State Parks Youth Corp program. Under WIOA the youth criteria and eligibility is changing and it will be easier to qualify.

Executive Director's Report

J. Vaughn reported the WIB is conducting a peer review of the Job Centers. The review is done by going into the Job Centers and observing the intake process, and then interviews the functional leader and staff. CWIB is looking at this as an opportunity to identify best practices and to standardize the Central Region and all of the offices.

The Central Region is the first in the state to have an approved Board by the Governor.

CWIB is looking at ways to have a video/web design for marketing the services of the Job Centers and the Universal Challenge Course. K. Groves suggested utilizing the communications department at the William Woods University who would develop it much cheaper as part of a class project.

CWIB Chairman Report

K. Groves stated she joined the Central Region Workforce Board four years ago and upon selling her business she utilized the Career Center services. She is grateful to the organization for encouraging her to pursue a job in Human Resources. She thinks it is the job of Board members to share and promote and talk to employers about raising the visibility and usage of the services offered at the Missouri Job Centers, and help serve our population.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2015 at the Jefferson City Job Center.

Kathy Groves stated she would entertain a motion to adjourn. R. Unger made a motion to adjourn. The board adjourned at 12:50 p.m.