

**MADISON-BOND-JERSEY-CALHOUN
WORKFORCE INNOVATION BOARD
June 16, 2021
ZOOM MEETING
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER:

Paul Wellhausen called the meeting to order at 8:02AM.

ROLL CALL (taken by roll call list) Quorum Present.

Members Present:

Chris Blair	Charlie Juneau
Rosemarie Brown	Jill Lauchner
Kevin Engelke	Dr. Timothy Schoenecker
Tony Fuhrmann	Gerry Schutzenhofer
Alex Gromada	David Stine
Val Harris	Mike Toner
Dionne Jackson	Paul Wellhausen
Chris Johnson	Rob Werden
Katie Johnson	Danielle Wisely
Andrew Jones	

Members Absent:

Shari Albrecht	Robert Moore
Dick Bold	Chad Squier
John Keller	Dawn Swift
Roy Kirkwood	B. Dean Webb
James McIsaac	

Guests and Staff Present:

Adam Boudouris	Darlene Ladd
Alice Bunjan	Terry Lane
Rebecca Cowley	Vicki Niederhofer
Tracey Glenn	Tony Stephens
Rich Heinz	

PUBLIC COMMENT:

With no public comment, Paul Wellhausen moved on to the next agenda item.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (ACTION):

Paul Wellhausen asked for a motion to approve the March 17, 2021 meeting minutes. The motion was made by Rosemarie Brown and seconded by Charlie Juneau. The minutes were unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE & ACTIVITY REPORTS:

Executive Committee: (ACTION)

Tony Fuhrmann presented four items for full board approval (already approved by the Executive Committee). Tony explained the each of the following items.

1. Approval of One Stop Operator
2. Approval of Connie Vick Consultant Contract
3. Approval of In-School Youth Program for FY21
4. Approval of Out of School Youth Program for FY21

After discussion of the items, Alex Gromada made a motion to give general consent to the 4 items presented. Chris Blair seconded the motion and the motion was approved with Val Harris recusing herself.

Membership & Management Update:

Tony Fuhrmann reported there are several members up for renewal and he would be reaching out to said members.

Madison County American Job Center Consortium & One Stop Operations Committee:

The Service Integration goals were reviewed for progress. Service Integration goal 4, Improve communication across partners was reviewed. At this time the goal was on hold as a shared platform for communication was being explored, and Tony Fuhrmann received approval from the Madison County IT department.

Service Integration Goal 8a, Business services developed by function was reviewed. At this time there has not been much progress on moving forward with the goals, due to the recent demand by area businesses for assistance with employee recruitment and employer needs. The Business Services Team was scheduled to meet later that day, where the goal would be reviewed for progress with the team.

The American Job Center Consortium/ One Stop Operations Consultant contract for Connie Vick was reviewed and approved for continuation.

Communications Update:

Tony Fuhrmann mentioned that we had three articles run in the Alton Telegraph/Edwardsville Intelligencer. Regarding the state's visit, the lower UI numbers and on coming into One Stop for help .

Youth Committee:

The Youth Committee met on May 4, 2021, via Zoom.

Employment & Training recommended three youth providers for Program Year 2021. The out of school youth providers were MERS/Goodwill and Lewis & Clark Community College. The in school provider is Madison School District #12. The committee approved all 3 providers.

Career Days for Edwardsville High School has been postponed until 2022. Kristen Hale has remained in contact with presenters who are interested in participating with the event in 2022. It was decided to postpone the event, due to the continuation of COVID restrictions and the transition to a new District Superintendent. For the 2021 seniors, Kaleb Smith with CTE, provided the school with online tools for the student to use to assist them with exploring careers virtually. The resources provided were, The Illinois Career Information System, One-on-one

Interviews with Professionals - a video series that interviews professionals in specific fields, and an interactive virtual game – Claim your future.

The next meeting is Tuesday, August 3, 2018 at 9:00am in Wood River office.

Treasurer's Report:

Rich Heinz referenced the Treasurer's Report in the email & on the shared screen which shows the WIOA financial summary and asked for any questions. He reported we would be receiving a waiver for shortest of expenditures in Title 1-B PY 2020 Grant. Title 1-E will expire on June 30, 2021 expended. Rich mentioned he had deobligated some funds from the Disaster Relief Program and that the program had been extended to December 31, 2021 but the even with the redirection of funds to include the Collinsville Food Pantry and Share N' Save worksites we would still come up a bit short of full expenditures – this is most likely due to the accident that happened last fall at the Flood Relief site.

Business Services/Business Engagement:

Tony Fuhrmann reported for Sarah Lorio that we had been very busy with Job postings from area employer and that Ethan Lord our Business Services Rep was busy sharing all of the job leads and postings via media with the community.

Terry Lane reported that June 16, 2021 Lewis & Clark was hosting a 17 employer job fair.

Tony Fuhrmann mentioned an upcoming Job Fair at FanDuel on June 23, 2021 and the upcoming Jobs Plus '21 in the fall.

Presentation Chris Johnson – Phillips 66

Chris shared a very nice slide presentation informing us about Phillips 66. Chris incorporated information not only about the history of Phillips 66, but also included what types of products and services Phillips 66 offers. Plus he added information about how Phillips truly believes in community participation. Including donation matching for its employees as well as compensation for volunteer hours for 501c3 entities.

Other Business

Tony Fuhrmann shared with the Board that he had recently heard from the DCEO that they wished they could clone Rich Heinz for all their service delivery areas since he does such great work on keeping our books so well.

Tony discussed program results and outcomes from the earlier presented budget breakdowns.

Tony reported that our annual allocations for this next fiscal year had been decreased by @\$500,000 but that with “leftover” monies from our previous year we should be ok for this year, but we may have issues next year.

He updated everyone on the Alternative Digital Credential Project (formerly the Electronic Badging Project). Stating we are moving ahead but slowly and we are still looking for Sector Recruitment Coordinator.

Tony reported that things are going very well with the Regional Supply Chain Training Project, so well in fact, the State is requesting our area be designated as the model for other areas and has requested that we assist other regions in setting-up their own options. Also, that the Gateway Trade Port is still growing and once done could house hundreds of thousands of jobs.

Dionne Jackson from Division of Rehabilitation Services (DRS) reported DRS is still working remotely. We continue to work with our customers, partners, and stakeholders, daily via technology. We look forward to continuing our connections with everyone.

Val Harris reported on Lewis & Clark Community College and how excited the college was about the upcoming program year. They are having a good year with GED graduates. She also reported the college is currently working on establishing more program in the construction/welding field including a Career Connection with Alex Gromada and a Carpenter's apprenticeship program, and Supply Chain with Forklift.

Alice Bunjan also spoke about Lewis & Clark's Perkins Program expanding to assist students in CTE program who were affected by Covid, and the development of the Pharmacy Tech and Diesel Mechanic programs.

There were no Announcements/Updates

Next Meeting:

Paul Wellhausen announced that the next WIB meeting would be on Wednesday, September 1, 2021 @ 8:00am hopefully in person and we will have two (2) presenters, Kaleb Smith from CTE and Tracey Glenn from IDCEO.

Closing and Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rosemarie Brown, seconded by Val Harris. It was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18am.

Approved By:

Danielle Wisely, WIB Secretary Treasurer