

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
8/6/20**

In Attendance: Charlie Juneau, Gerry Schuetzenhofer, Paul Wellhausen, Danielle Wisely, Tony Fuhrmann, Rich Heinz, Sarah Lorio, and Debbie Angleton

Call To Order:

Paul Wellhausen called the meeting to order at 8:30AM.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Charlie Juneau to approve the May 21, 2020 meeting minutes and it was seconded by Gerry Schuetzenhofer. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Executive Committee Report:

Paul introduced a motion item to approve the PY 2020 Regional & Local Plan Revisions. Debbie Angleton referred to the handout, Confirmation of Required Revisions Made. There were several minor items that needed additional information in the Plans. Connie Vick made those corrections as illustrated on the second page of the handout.

A motion was made by Gerry Schuetzenhofer to approve the PY 2020 Regional & Local Plan Revisions and Charlie Juneau seconded it. It was unanimously approved.

Next, Paul introduced a motion for Approval of the PY 2020 ITA Policy. Debbie explained the Individual Training Account Policy was changed to include tuition only under the \$20,000 & move all fees under the \$10,000. This has been a confusing matter for schools as to where assign the different fees on the billing. This will also make it clearer to our Accounting staff when they process the invoices. In addition, the policy clarifies that the ITA only covers the junior & senior year of a Bachelor's Degree.

A motion was made by Danielle Wisely to approve the PY 2020 ITA Policy and Charlie Juneau seconded it. It was unanimously approved.

The third action item is the Approval of Training Program at St. Louis Community College – Associate Degree in Nursing. In the packet is information about the customer & cost of the training. It is a 2 year program which costs \$18,000, however, the customer has some credits, so the cost will be around \$13,825. The school was informed that our office can only pay for in district tuition, therefore, the customer will have to pay the difference of \$2600. The customer is a single mother with 3 children & works part time at Anderson Hospital.

A motion was made by Charlie Juneau to approve the Training Program at St. Louis Community College- Associate Degree in Nursing with the tuition rate as the in-district cost and Danielle Wisely seconded it. It was unanimously approved.

The last action item on the agenda is Approval of Training Program at New Horizons-Microsoft Azure Expert Program for Technical IT Managers. Debbie pointed out the handout with the request. This an online 8 week series of certifications in Microsoft Azure. The Trade customer has

background in IT but he needs updated. The total cost is \$17,995 for 7 certifications. The Committee had concerns about the school billing the office up front for the whole program. Debbie checked with Ginny Heinz in Accounting who reports the school has sent us invoices after the student completes each course. Due to this being a new program, the Committee wants to approve this request for the individual only who is requesting it. The Committee would like Debbie to give an update of the student's progress at the next meeting

A motion was made by Gerry Schuetzenhofer to approve the Training Program at New Horizons-Microsoft Azure Expert Program for Technical IT Managers for this individual only and it was seconded by Danielle Wisely. It was unanimously approved.

Business Engagement/Supporting Economic Development Committee Report:

Sarah Lorio continues providing recruitment assistance to local businesses as well as outreach to community partners. Recently met with the Director of Marketing for America's Central Port re: WIOA programs/funding and representatives from Regions Bank re: the marketing of financial education workshops and MCETD funding opportunities. Planning for Jobs Plus Job Fair 2020 is underway with a meeting to discuss the use of Illinois workNet's Virtual Job Fair platform scheduled to take place tomorrow. We recently added a link to our website for the IDES job postings which are searchable by location. We are creating social media for the Metro-East Nexus group whose mission is to: leverage career opportunities for individuals with barriers to employment through collaboration and business partnership.

Membership/Board Officers:

Tony Fuhrmann reported that Rod Wolter & Kathleen McIntosh are resigning from the Board. Rod is moving from the area & Kathleen is retiring from Ameren. The Board needs several new business members & will welcome any suggestions. Rod was chair of the Youth Committee, so a new chair is needed. Committee members suggested Tim Schoenecker from SIUE. Also, a new chair for the Madison County Consortium & One Stop Committee is needed due to Paul's election as WIB Chair. It was suggested to ask Rosemarie Brown since she is currently on the committees now.

Other Business:

Rich Heinz noted the WIOA Title 1B financial summaries in the packet. The PY 2018 grant ended on 6-30-20 & the PY 2019 grant expenditures are going well. The Incentive grant was closed out on 6-30-20. Tony remarked there will be no incentive money this year because the funds are going to COVID grants. There will be more Trade funds added due to more Trade layoffs.

Tony pointed out the Title 1B report with the number of registrants and number of customers that utilize the resource center. Also, it shows the total number of services accessed from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. The performance measurements are showing exceeding in all categories.

Tony announced an award from the second round of apprenticeship expansion grants with St. Clair Workforce Area for \$627,000.00. Also, with St. Clair, we jointly received a 1.5 million grant from the Federal Emergency Grant for dislocated workers. There will be 100 individuals that will

be part of a credential badging program at SIUE. This will allow participants to earn a credential in 6-8 weeks and possible OJT with an employer. This grant ends March, 2022.

Other news, Tony reported our office was awarded \$5000 from Ameren for technology needs. We have ordered 3 laptops & 5 scanners for staff. Thanks to staff member, Tina Leonard & her daughter who applied for the grant in our behalf.

Tony mentioned the Wood River & Jerseyville offices opened on July 1 by appointment only.

Committee members agreed that Rod Wolter should be sent a letter of appreciation for serving on the WIB for 20 years.

Next Meetings:

Paul reported the next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled on October 15, 2020, at 8:30AM in Wood River. The next full WIB meeting will be Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 8:00AM through a Zoom meeting.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Danielle Wisely to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Charlie Juneau. It was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45AM.