



Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2017

The Ozark Region Workforce Development Board met at 8:30 a.m. on June 7, 2017 at the Missouri Job Center, located at 2900 E. Sunshine, Springfield MO 65804. Chair Sharon Walker called the meeting to order and roll was taken.

The following attendance was recorded: Present: Derick Barnes, Anthony Blackstock, Michelle Clark, Darin Cleir (by telephone), Candida Deckard, Rennie Diekemper, Ramona George, Steve Hamm, Allen Kunkel, Mike Peters, Carl Rosenkranz, Pat Shay (by telephone), Bill Skains, Sharon Walker, and Laurie Washington (waiting upon approval by CLEO). Candidate Jeremy MacLaughlin was also present. Absent: Tracey Brown, Justin Coyan, Thomas Douglas, Stephanie Fowler, Jane Hood, Susan Johanson, Deborah Kreider, Deanna Partridge, Denise Reed, and Sarah Wyman. Candidate Tracy McGrady was unable to attend.

Consent Agenda

- Minutes of April 5, 2017 WDB Meeting
- March 2017 Financial Report
- New Board Members – Jeremy MacLaughlin and Tracy McGrady

Prior to acceptance and action upon the Consent Agenda, staff member Chad Ray provided a brief explanation of the financial report, as the Board had not received the financials.

With no further discussion, Bill Skains moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Steve Hamm seconded and the motion carried with the following vote: Ayes: Barnes, Blackstock, Clark, Cleir, Deckard, Diekemper, George, Hamm, Kunkel, Peters, Rosenkranz, Shay, Skains, Walker, and Wyman. Nays: (0); Abstain: (0); and Absent: Brown, Coyan, Douglas, Fowler, Hood, Johanson, Kreider, Partridge, Reed, and Wyman.

Presentations

Apprenticeships

The speaker was unable to attend.

Virtual Reality for Training

Charlie Rosenberry presented and provided a demonstration using Google Cardboard. Mr. Rosenberry has an office at the E-Factory and works with various companies on utilizing virtual reality. He explained that companies such as architecture firms are utilizing virtual reality. In addition, it can be used for training and has been used by construction and other industries. It has also been used for live options such as sporting events and concerts. Realty companies, manufacturing companies, and universities have used virtual reality to provide tours.

Work Experience Contracts

Jennifer Biri, Business Service Representative, provided an explanation of her role and a description of her work with the Missouri Work Assistance Program-MWA (individuals receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families-TANF). She stated that the Connect Program has linked with 162 businesses and had 153 participants placed in positions in which their wages are paid through the work experience program with MWA.

Missouri Job Center, 2900 East Sunshine, Springfield, MO 65804

Phone: 417-887-4343

Fax: 417-887-1892

The Ozark Region Missouri Career Center is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aides and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Mo TTY users may call 800-735-2966 or contact Missouri Relay at 7-1-1.



OACAC Funding

Carl Rosenkranz discussed a recent resolution prepared by the OACAC Board to the legislation to address the proposed reduction of funding. Mr. Rosenkranz provided an overview of the reductions in which the initial indicates reductions in four of the seven programs operated. He encouraged the Board to follow the activities occurring with appropriations.

AEL

Ramona George provided a Prezi presentation of the Adult Education and Literacy (AEL) program operated by Ozarks Technical Community College. The program is operated at 12 location in eight counties with over 30 different classes. Ms. George remarked on the new partnership with the Dream Center.

New Business

Consultant Agreement Addendum-Increase in Contract

Sharon Walker explained that the Executive Committee had met earlier in the morning and had approved increasing the consultant's contract by \$5,000 to complete the process and negotiate the contract.

With no questions, Bill Skains moved to approve increasing the consultant's contract by \$5,000 to complete the process and to include the negotiation of the contract. Mike Peters seconded and the motion carried with the following vote: Ayes: Barnes, Blackstock, Clark, Cleir, Deckard, Diekemper, George, Hamm, Kunkel, Peters, Rosenkranz, Shay, Skains, Walker, and Wyman. Nays: (0); Abstain: (0); and Absent: Brown, Coyan, Douglas, Fowler, Hood, Johanson, Kreider, Partridge, Reed, and Wyman.

One Stop Operator

Sharon Walker provided a history of the process of reviewing the One-Stop Operator proposals. She explained that the One-Stop Operator Evaluation Committee, consisting of the following members: Susan Johanson (serving as Chair), Steve Hamm, Rennie Diekemper, and Michelle Clark, met on May 22. There were four evaluation factors: Qualifications, Duties, Deliverables, and Cost. Each of the three respondents was given the opportunity to make a presentation and answer questions of the Committee. They were then evaluated and ranked. The Committee unanimously selected Preferred Family Healthcare. This was presented to the Executive Committee, who acted upon the recommendation and approved to send to the Board with approval to enter into negotiations with Preferred Family Healthcare.

With no questions, Anthony Blackstock moved to approve Preferred Family Healthcare as the One-Stop Operator. Allen Kunkel seconded and the motion carried with the following vote: Ayes: Barnes, Blackstock, Clark, Cleir, Deckard, Diekemper, George, Hamm, Kunkel, Peters, Rosenkranz, Shay, Skains, Walker, and Wyman. Nays: (0); Abstain: (0); and Absent: Brown, Coyan, Douglas, Fowler, Hood, Johanson, Kreider, Partridge, Reed, and Wyman.

Missouri Job Center, 2900 East Sunshine, Springfield, MO 65804

Phone: 417-887-4343

Fax: 417-887-1892

The Ozark Region Missouri Career Center is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aides and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Mo TTY users may call 800-735-2966 or contact Missouri Relay at 7-1-1.



Director's Report

Mary Ann Rojas provided information on the following:

- Alma Price retired-card provided for signatures
- Summer Jobs Program-80 positions available
- Wheels to Work/Homeless camp-preliminary appears to be going well
- State of the City-Workforce being recognized
- Awards
 - MAWD
 - Sally Payne-Keystone
 - Region-Local Excellence Award in Partnership (\$2,500)
- Elections to the MAWD Board
 - Tracy Polk- President Elect
 - Megan Short-Public Information
- Healthcare Roundtable-Wednesday, June 14
- Recognized in BIX 417
- Recognized in City of Springfield Annual Report
- Allocations-Have not been received-about three more weeks left
- Partner Map-Many partners born out of MOMentum and roundtables; initiatives came out of these such as disabilities inclusions efforts and Job Center North

Bill Skains and Sharon Walker extended appreciation to Ms. Rojas and staff for their efforts.

With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned to the Council of Local Elected Officials meeting.

Missouri Job Center, 2900 East Sunshine, Springfield, MO 65804

Phone: 417-887-4343

Fax: 417-887-1892

The Ozark Region Missouri Career Center is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aides and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Mo TTY users may call 800-735-2966 or contact Missouri Relay at 7-1-1.