

Camden County Workforce Investment Board Supporting the Development and Retention of a World Class Workforce

Gregg T. DeBaere, Chair Jeffrey S. Swartz, Executive Director

Systems Performance Committee Meeting <u>Minutes</u> April 29, 2015

<u>ATTENDEES:</u> Janice Bryant, Fiscal Manager, CCOS Ellen Crain, Susquehanna Bancshares, Inc. Kathy Mayfield, CCOS Robert Weil, Conner Strong & Buckelew, Committee Chairman

<u>STAFF</u> Wanda Cruz Theo Primas Jeffrey S. Swartz Leslie Williams

WELCOME:

Chairman Weil welcomed attendees and asked for round table introductions.

MASTER BUDGET REVIEW-JANICE BRYANT AND KATHY MAYFIELD

- Master Budget/Actual Report 7/1/14 through 3/31/15 (PY14) reviewed.
- All expected funding included in the budget which includes the salaries of the newly hired Career Counselors and a transferred Professional employee.
- The WFNJ funding is expected to remain flat for PY 15-16
- No Funding streams have been confirmed yet for PY-16, including:
 - o Smart Steps
 - o WorkFirst
 - Workforce Learning Link
 - WIA/WIOA the SETC has not provided clear guidelines yet, however locally we need to function in the interim and prepare for the July 1, 2015 changes.

Part of the WIOA changes include changing the selection of the One-Stop Operator process to an Open bid process. This is a concern for many WIB's throughout the state and the final outcome is pending further inquiry and direction from the Federal government.

FUND BALANCE REPORT

In reviewing the fund balance report, the following was noted:

• WIA Adult, Youth and DW accounts are under spent for PY 13-14 and 14-15.

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 Case Management funding continues to be a source of funding that remains partially unspent even after certifying One-Stop staff.
ACTION ITEM: One-Stop Operator, Mayfield intends to meet with Board of Social Services Director, Shawn Sheekey to discuss and identify any BSS staff that might be able to become certified as Case managers for whom the costs could be reimbursed.

CONTRACT ANALYSIS REPORT

After extensive discussions over the past several months the WIB's Systems Performance Committee determined that in this transitional year of WIOA implementation, it is in the best interest of the WIB, the customers and the vendor if the WIB's exercises the second term renewal option for the Out of School Youth and modifies the contracts to incorporate the new WIOA regulations effective 7/1/15. This will preclude the WIB from having to release RFP's for Youth Services. All providers with the exception of Rutgers T.E.E.M. Gateway will be renewed.

PROGRAM EVALUATOR UPDATE

Training Provider Contracts (ITA) Individual Training Accounts

Monitoring schedule

- WOTS Literacy Center 1/6/15
- OEO 1/8/15
- Robeson CDC 1/9/15
- Image and Attitude (CWEP) 1/14/15
- KRA (CWEP) 1/15/15
- KRA (Youth) 1/28/15
- Center for Family Services 1/29/15
- CCC CWEP 2/3/15
- CC College ESL 2/3/15
- Image and Attitude (Clothing) 2/11/15
- The Work Group 2/12/15
- The Home Inspection Institute 3/1/15
- Camden CC Corporate Center 3/10/15
- Network Learning Institute 3/10/15
- National Personal Training Institute 3/17/15
- PRISM Career Institute 3/26/15
- Smith & Solomon Driver Training 3/27/15
- LTC Career Training 4/15/15
- ➢ 2nd Quarter Performance Report (attached)
- Procurement
 - Language was added to the Master ITA Agreement to clarify the approval of extension of training process. Resolution approving agreements should be on the May 2015 Freeholder agenda.

WIA

Procurement

- The WIB will not be releasing a *Youth Services* RFP for PY 2015.
- Rather, pursuant to our reservation of right in RFP # 14-YS-01 we will renew the services of each current Youth provider (excluding Rutgers) for an additional contract term, with modifications.
- Fiscal Office will make recommendations to WIB for contract awards, then formal offers will be made to the vendors.

Rutgers TEEM Gateway update:

- On 4/23/15, The Freeholders will entertain a Resolution de-obligating this vendor's funding by \$24,000 (and 4 slots).
- Rutgers has lagged far behind the other Youth vendors in their enrollments since 7/1/14, necessitating the de-obligation.
- They currently have 2 fully enrolled; 5 more pending.

The Work Group Contract Extension Request Update:

The Work Group's requested a one-time extension to the timeframe listed in the S-003-13 contract for GED attainment.

The One-Stop and WIB agreed that since the requested contractual extension could be complicated, addressing this matter on a case-by-case basis was preferable (especially since no other Youth provider expressed a similar concern).

Laurie Maguire, MIS Manager and her staff fashioned a workable remedy whereby individual exit dates could be extended. The WIB is in accord with this approach, and same was communicated to Lori Godorov of The Work Group.

<u>Workfirst</u>

- > Procurement
 - The WIB will not be releasing PY 2015 RFPs for *Community Work Experience* with Job Skills Training Directly Related to Employment <u>or</u> Clothing Assistance Services.
 - Rather, pursuant to our reservation of right in RFP #s 14-DHS-01 and 14-DHS-02 we will renew the services of each current Workfirst provider for an additional contract term, with modifications.
 - Fiscal Office will make recommendations to WIB for contract awards, then formal offers will be made to the vendors.
- ► ESL + CWEP
 - The WIB will be releasing RFPs (for both the TANF <u>and</u> GA/SNAP populations) for an ESL + CWEP program(s). Targeting early May release date.
- Individual Demand Occupation Exception Approvals
 - Revised Customer Process (see attached)

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Chairman Weil asked members to stay on course of the goals as outlined in the Strategic Plan. He asked Mayfield to ensure that One-Stop staff are familiar with the Plan particularly related to the five targeted industry sectors and the deployment of resource by these sectors. He requested a meeting with the staff on May 29, 2015 10-11:30 to discuss ways to provide customers with valuable information on which to make decision and gain employments, solicit their ideas and answer questions. Staff invited to attend included all Counselor including the Learning Link and Youth Counselors, MIS staff, Training Orientation Facilitators, Job Developers, and Resource Center Managers.

OTHER BUSINESS

Leslie Williams, WIB Comptroller is scheduled to attend the GSETA Financial Committee Meeting.

ACTION ITEM: Chairman Weil asked Kathy Mayfield to provide any pertinent information received from attending the May 1, 2015 GSETA Fiscal Meeting on WIOA fiscal reporting changes.

Submitted by,

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