

**Minutes**  
**Southeast Indiana Workforce Investment Board**  
**Meeting**  
**July 21, 2015**

**10:00am – 12:00pm**  
**Osgood Town Hall**  
**147 W. Ripley St, Osgood IN 47037**

**Attendees:** Patti Yount, Mark Cash, Kurt Kegerreis, Jeff Byrd, Amy Gosney, Kent Fuller, Chad Carter, Kathy Oren, Scott Hubbard, Mike Busch, Chris Lowery, Nancy Monroe, Carla Crowe, Art Little, Jennifer McCalvin, Eric Roberts, Patricia Wilkins, Grace Powers, Melanie Douglas

**I. Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve minutes from previous meeting was made by Amy Gosney and seconded by Mike Busch.

**II. Introduction of New Members**

Mark Cash announced a couple of new members to the Board. Kathy Oren whom works with the Community Education Coalition, which EcO15 is one of the initiatives, she works on as well. Chad Carter is also a new member, serves as the Director of Business Solutions with the Department of Workforce Development and is taking over for Dennis Wimer. The Business & Community Director from Job Corps, Jeff Byrd, has also joined the Board. One individual will be retiring from the Board, Nancy Monroe; her service to the Board has been greatly appreciated.

**III. Partner Updates**

Chad Carter gave a few brief updates on the DWD and the perspective and the intent to expand the partnerships with WIOA. Specifically the focus was on partnerships with FSSA, Vocational Rehab, Department of Corrections and the area educational institutions.

The NEG Grant has been awarded, roughly 4.8 million dollars, specific regional allocations have yet to be determined.

TAA has also been extended through to June 2021, in addition manufacturing and service sectors can now apply. Full guidance from the Department of Labor, once received, will be distributed. There will also be webinars available for those who would like to participate.

Chris Lowery gave an update on the Works Council, whom is moving forward with identifying networking groups in health care, manufacturing, and educational attainment. Works Council & Ivy Tech are also working to provide a method to middle aged students in identifying which careers exists at what education levels and the compensation opportunities

that would be with those careers in an effort to give students more education on career paths and opportunities.

Kathy Oren added that the Eco15 group is working to increase career awareness as well with businesses and advanced manufacturing partnerships. Also the Community Education Coalition is currently putting together an Eco25 plan.

Mike Busch wanted to thank all of the representatives from the Board, River Valley Resources, DWD among just a few that were present during the Governor Pence and Commissioner Dow discussion that happened on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. There was a lot of positive support and information about the importance of workforce training in rural Indiana.

#### **IV. Other Business**

Haley Loman who was the recipient of the Outstanding Senior Award for Region 9 spoke and answered questions about her personal experience with the JAG program and the impact it has had on her life.

At the NAWB conference in the spring an award was given to Kurt in order to present this to Congressman Messer. The Congressman has a congressional hiring event coming up on August 5th; Kurt Kegerreis and the Region 6 operator, Mike Row during the event, will present the award.

There will be an additional JAG school opening up in Lawrenceburg in addition the school in Lawrenceburg has committed about \$15,000 and this should be the model to follow for the other JAG schools as well. This is an opportunity to do more community based development and expand the JAG program.

The Clearinghouse is moving forward and it is expected to move on August 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### **V. Budget**

The budget discussed is for the first quarter since the preview of total allocations is unavailable from the DWD. The Board will be updated as those funds become available. The Ticket-to-Work program and unrestricted funds were not included in the budget, and are at the Boards discretion to use. The official WIOA allocations will come in increments, typically at the beginning of the program year and an additional allocation in October. As it stands there is just over \$710,000 for the first WIOA allocation, with \$580,000 being Youth funding and the remaining portion is Adult and Dislocated Worker.

The Business Consultant funds have yet to be administered however it is still expected that amount will be \$120,000.

The carry-in from PY14 is about \$453,000 but potentially will be more. The WIA Incentive grant was received late in the last program year and makes up a large portion of that carry-in. Crowe is currently doing the final close out of the books and will have final numbers by the next meeting.

#### **VI. Adjourn**