

Highlights from the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) Executive Committee Meeting

July 16, 2012, 7:31 a.m.

1520 Market St., Courthouse Conference Room, St. Louis, MO 63103

Executive Committee Members present: Jeff Serocke, Herman Noah, Mike Walter, Ed Hamilton, Lydia Padilla, Donny Carroll, and Darryl Chatman.

Executive Committee Members not present and sent apologies: Ray Creely, Len Toenjes.

Technical Advisor: Kelley Bernardi.

WIB Director and LEO Designee: Michael Holmes.

SLATE staff: Sherry Vogel

UPDATE Budget...

- The budget has not changed since the June WIB meeting. The yearend expenses are still coming in. Still working on the contracts. We had given all vendors letters of intent until WIB Board voted approval on June 20, 2012. The youth contracts all began on July 1, 2012.

501 (c) 3 – EDC. Darryl and Mr. Holmes had a meeting with SLDC (St. Louis Development Corporation) by conference call regarding how they did their 501 (c) 3. This is still going to be the focus this year. SLDC sent a copy of the *Management Agreement*. SLDC will help us as much as they can letting us see the documents we need to operate as independent 501 (c) 3 and together as joint operation with city.

After the Board is sworn in an interest form/survey will be sent to the Board to find out who wants to be on both boards EDC (Employment Development Council) – 501 (c) 3) and the WIB. Jeff Serocke and Betsy Miller are two to consider as other members not from WIB Board.

There were no comments or changes sent for the EDC By-laws. The by-laws stand as is. When the EDC Board starts to operate changes can be made to conform.

The Nominating committee is being chaired by Ed Hamilton for the election of WIB Officers for this 2012 – 2014 term. Ed is beginning the process. We will not be able to do this until the new Board is sworn in. This will be the first action taken as a new Board. The actual vote will not be until the October 17, 2012 Board meeting.

All the full Board meetings and the Executive Committee meetings will begin at 8:00 a.m. The December WIB meeting will be the exception it will begin at 4:00 p.m.

Parrie May, Register of City of St. Louis, will be at the WIB meeting at 8:00 a.m. sharp on August 15, 2012. The new Board will be sworn in on August 15, 2012, Parrie May will come to the meeting to swear in the Board. Board members must have their letter from the Mayor and their disclosure form filled out. (Sherry will have copies of the Mayors letters and blank disclosure forms). Will let members know that cannot attend the August 15th meeting when they can be sworn in. The register's office is in the process of a temporary move. The new Board will be in compliance with what the State requires as far as membership requirements.

Update on reports. Performance from June 18, 2012. The State is doing well. St. Louis City;

- Still have two issues. Before NGCC the Dislocated Worker was in the red. NGCC model now is reversed and the Adult worker is in the red. Dislocated Workers are getting jobs faster than the individuals who are adults. The flip is happening.
- Chronically unemployed Adult worker have not begun to look for employment. In terms of Adults, they need a lot of services.
- EUC (Emergency Unemployment Compensation Program-Extended benefits) program where we are bringing 200+ people in a week who are unemployment to see if they are looking for a job. Some problems arising and getting people cut off UI are:
 - They have moved and didn't receive the letter to come in for appointment.
 - Many people are working and still receiving UI benefits that is illegal; a felon.
 - We tell EUC person what is available and the law states you are suppose get engaged in the system. They choose not to.
 - The State will probably look at doing this with the State UI system.

A breakdown is given for the 200+ per week -- 50% are no shows. Then those individuals that decline reemployment services 45% - 50%. A lot of forms for discontinuing UI are sent by staff.

- Trade will have a red mark because we don't have a lot of jobs in trade in this area. Jobs these individuals get have to make 80% of their previous salary to count in performance. That is a federal law and very difficult to achieve. We are trying to work more with manufacturing companies.
- We have explored what other states do. Our system will have that data on available jobs in other states. Discussion on how other state operate -- pros and cons.
- We will be writing a corrective action plan for WIA adult. Each time we ask the State for help.
- Veterans need extra services.

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- The State has submitted its intergraded work plan. The link has been sent out. Each five years the State does the plan for the State of Missouri. SLATE, City of St. Louis has to do an individual plan that really supports the State plan. The SLATE local plan will be done in September; unless delayed. The State will approve our plan at the State level. Each year we have to update our plan. This is the Workforce Development Plan.
 - We will get the information out to the Board on the Governors conference in September held at the St. Louis Hyatt Regency.
 - Ed will talk about the process for electing new officers.
 - Orientation before the next WIB meeting in October for new members. We want to condition the Board that our job as workforce is to see how we can work with your companies. How do we become aware of the openings in your company that you have. Not necessarily guarantee hiring. That people that are unemployed or underemployed can go and apply. What is the process
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Ed made motion to adjourn, Mike Walter second. All approved.

Next WIB Meeting is August 15, 2012 at the SLATE Missouri Career Center – Central West End, at 8:00am