

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

September 17, 2014, 8:00 a.m.

1520 Market St., Forest Park Conference Room, St. Louis, MO 63103

Executive Committee Members present: Donny Carroll, Pat Coleman, Ed Hamilton, Herman Noah, Kevin Schaedler, Katherine Joslin, Leonard Toenjes and Jeff Taylor Ex Officio.

Technical Advisor: Kelley Bernardi

WIB Director and LEO Designee: Michael Holmes

SLATE staff: Susan Fulton, Kim Neske

Pat Coleman called the meeting to order. Roll call was completed. The budget report was provided by Kim Neske. She said all is going well. SLATE received about \$3.1 million in WIA for the year. Other grants received: 1 year IT grant, 2 Father's Support grants-one ends January 2015 and the other is a 3 year grant, Bio Science-has 1 year left, MSD-is a fee for service and ends January 2015 (Mr. Holmes noted this was not the new MSD grant that SLATE received), Ballpark Village ends December 2014 (Mr. Holmes says SLATE will continue to receive funds, negotiating now), SLDC-1 year grant, Board of Public Service-just received, MO37 & MO40-primarily OJT grants (Mr. Holmes said SLATE will be funding some of the BUD program through MO40), the Youth grants are either Direct Department of Labor or Department of Justice, SPYC (Mr. Holmes said we will probably get more dollars in April). Mr. Holmes said there are many more grants in the works. Len asked how the expenses were. Kim said it's a delicate balance to make sure we spend appropriately from each pot.

Update of Action Item Report:

- Brief explanation of sub-committees: The focus with committees will be on Business Service, Youth Council, Youthbuild, and Disability. After we get a better understanding of WIOA, we'll come back with a WIOA update committee. Business Services will primarily focus on OJT. Next month, business services will present at the full WIB meeting. Herman Noah chairs the Youth Council where they meet with vendors, youth, etc. Youthbuild is a new committee that will be chaired by Stan Shoun. Pat asked that a brief paragraph of each committee be provided and that the rest of the board be given an opportunity to join one at the next meeting as well. Pat asked for approval to make the committees named as the focus for the next fiscal year, Len made the motion and Ed seconded, motion carried.
 - Show-Me Heroes: Mr. Holmes said we are still getting the word out about Show-Me Heroes. He will have Frank come in at a future meeting to discuss his workshops. Martin has been out promoting to companies as well.
 - Letters of recommendation: Mr. Holmes said SLATE is still getting letters. A reminder e-mail will be sent to the board.
 - Recertification process: Process is complete. The board has been certified by the State.
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Overview of Committee Plans/Leadership:

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WIOA Webinars:

- We will send out frequently asked questions about WIOA to the Board. We know that we have work to do on the Disability committee and EO requirements. The Civil Rights Commission came down on the

state so the state is working with the different regions to make sure we are under compliance with EO regulations. One area SLATE is working on is languages. Everything that is sent out needs to be in English, Bosnian, Spanish and Vietnamese. Kevin suggested looking into getting an intern that majors in the language to do the translation. Mr. Holmes said he would look into it. It was noted by the committee to see if they get college credit for the course as the person may not need to be paid then.

Grants-MSD:

- Mr. Holmes said SLATE will be getting another grant from MSD. They will be funding the Building Union Diversity (BUD) program. It is 8 weeks of training where they will spend a week at each union. There are 7 companies that want to hire graduates by Thanksgiving. For those that don't get hired, they will be put in union apprenticeship programs. The pilot starts on October 6th. Applicants are required to score 5s on WorkKeys.
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Ferguson Update:

- A job fair was held on Saturday. Approximately 5000 people came through or which 243 came to SLATE's booth to sign up for services per Donny. Ninety-two vendors participated. Donny said he was at a meeting yesterday where it was discussed to not only look at helping individuals, but the businesses as well.
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Reports:

- Performance/Key Indicators: Final numbers aren't published yet, but everything looks well for the year. Mr. Holmes received a wages report for Ballpark Village-wages generated for the 3rd quarter = \$1.5 million and for the latest quarter = \$3+ million.
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Open Discussion-Next Board Meeting Agenda Items:

- Business Services Committee Presentation-John Reed
- Opportunity to join committees

Len Toenjes made a motion to adjourn. Kevin Schaedler seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 am.

Next WIB meeting October 14, 2014, 8:00 am.

Next WIB Executive Committee meeting November 19, 2014.