

**STATE WORKFORCE INNOVATION COUNCIL (SWIC)
EDUCATIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ERC)**

March 19, 2015

8:30 – 9:45 a.m.

Indiana Government Center South

Room 130

Indianapolis, IN

Present: Leroy Jackson, Jeff Pittman

Telephone: Rob Moore

Absent: Dennis Rohrs, Tim Skinner

Also present from the Indiana Department of Workforce Development (DWD):
Alishea Hawkins, Chris Deaton, Jedd Vance, Brenda Johnson and Donna Lovelady.

At 8:34 a.m., the meeting was called to order by Leroy Jackson, acting chairperson.

Review and Approval of Previous Minutes

Jeff Pittman moved to approve the minutes* of the February, 2015 meeting; Rob Moore (by phone) seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All approved and the motion was carried.

Subsequent Eligibility: Review of statistics; vote on standards

Chris Deaton reviewed handouts* showing that 1,676 programs would need to be removed from the INTraining framework if we used the 28% and 60% cut off standards. The providers would be notified via email prior to being removed from the list.

Rob Moore (by phone) moved to approve the 28% and 60% cut standards. Jeff Pittman abstained from voting citing a need for additional information. The motion died due to the lack of a seconded motion.

The vote on subsequent eligibility standards and removal of affected programs will be moved to the April 2015 meeting.

Jeff Pittman moved that data submission for all programs be extended until April 9, 2015. Rob Moore (by phone) seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

INTraining Provider and Program Review

At the February, 2015 meeting, DWD staff presented an appeal from Eagle Wing Private Investigations Institute, LLC, regarding the regional Workforce Investment Board (WIB) decision to deny their training program. The local WIB had found a lack of employer demand in the area for individuals with this training/certification. Jedd Vance reported this month that this program does not end in a certification, thus not meeting INTraining requirements. Rob Moore (by phone) moved to uphold the denial of Eagle Wing; Jeff Pittman seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

Mr. Vance next presented the provider site visit* for Images of Hope, Inc., in Gary. DWD staff recommended denial until this provider is in compliance with the Office for Career and Technical Schools (OCTS). Rob Moore (by phone) moved to deny Images of Hope as an INTraining provider; Jeff Pittman seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

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Freedom Academy, a previously approved provider, has two additional locations* that require approval. Based on the site visit, DWD staff recommended approval of the locations in Albion and Kendallville. Jeff Pittman moved to approve the two new sites; Rob Moore (by phone) seconded the motion. All were in agreement and the motion was approved.

The final provider to be reviewed was the Jasper County Hospital* which is offering a CPR course for certification. The provider has passed the site visit and passed all clearance checks. Jeff Pittman moved to approve Jasper County Hospital as a provider; Rob Moore (by phone) seconded the motion. All were in agreement and the motion was approved.

Mr. Vance distributed the INTraining Monthly Activity Report*. It will be released on a quarterly basis beginning in April 2015.

Post-Secondary Perkins Update

Information will be provided at the April 2015 meeting.

WorkINdiana Report*

Brenda Johnson informed the committee that the DWD staff has distributed a survey regarding WorkINdiana. Staff plans to utilize the responses from the survey to improve student access to the WorkINdiana program. Brenda also noted that enrollments were down compared to the same time last year and indicated that lack of training programs; classes canceled due to insufficient enrollment; lack of motivation by the students; and navigating the WorkOne system had been identified in the survey as barriers to enrollment. Ms. Johnson further reported the WorkINdiana training program would be presented at the national 2015 COABE (Commission on Adult Basic Education) Conference in April.

Other

Alishea Hawkins thanked the committee for its continued dedication to the work of the SWIC and Indiana Adult Education. Going forward, she hopes that the committee will participate in discussions to develop the future direction and functionality of Adult Education in the state.

No Public Comment

Next Steps – Vote on Subsequent Eligibility at April, 2015 meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:16 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 16, 2015

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