

**STATE WORKFORCE INNOVATION COUNCIL  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
FEBRUARY 28, 2013 10:30AM.  
INDIANA GOVERNMENT CENTER SOUTH  
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204**

**Present:** Mark Goldman, Paul Perkins, Jac Padgett, Bill Stanczykiewicz

**Absent:** Dan Clark and Derek Redelman

**Also Present:** From the Indiana Department of Workforce Development: Commissioner Scott Sanders, Jaclyn Dowd, Deputy Commissioner for Policy, Education and Training; Jeff Gill, General Counsel; Michelle Marshel, Deputy Commissioner Communications; Dennis Wimer, Deputy Commissioner Field Operations; Nate Klinck, Director of Policy; Leslie Crist; Director of Strategic Initiatives and Marie Mackintosh; Director Adult Education.

**Call to Order and Roll:**

State Workforce Innovation Council Chair, Paul Perkins, called the meeting to order at 10:30am and recognized a quorum was present.

**Committee Business:**

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Perkins entertained a motion for approval of the January 24<sup>th</sup> meeting. Mr. Padgett motioned for approval and Mr. Goldman seconded the motion, motion approved.

- **Discussion of Local Plans for PY2013**

Mr. Klinck provided the Committee with a handout which highlighted the options before the SWIC for local plans for PY2013. Over the past two years, the SWIC has reviewed and approved guidance for local plans at its March meeting, and Mr. Klinck is working on updating the local planning policy.

Mr. Perkins questioned how the role of economic development partnerships are described in local plans, and about whether the SWIC could include requirements for WIBs to partner with economic development partners to establish regional targeted employment sectors to focus workforce development services on. Ms. Dowd discussed how other states were establishing regional economic and workforce development partnerships based around targeted economic sectors, and specifically mentioned Kentucky, who recently gave a presentation on how state workforce boards developed a 25 point strategic plan and initiated it. Mr. Perkins recommends that the SWIC and DWD request workforce boards to partner with economic development in their area and discuss how they could work together. He stated this had been tried in the past with biotech in a region and the companies left and this fell off the program.

Commissioner Sanders said there have been discussions with DWD, and that the Governor has asked him to sit in on economic development meetings and that IEDC has asked DWD to participate in their meetings as well.

There was discussion regarding regional best practices and potentially requesting that each region present theirs to the SWIC. A concern was raised that this type of process and partnership effort could take longer than three months to complete, and the local plans might not be the appropriate way to implement it. Mr. Goldman suggested the SWIC could give the regions a deadline and Mr. Perkins stated that DWD could assist the regions on how to work with economic development. There was discussion regarding how this initiative would be funded. Mr. Gillespie stated the funding has been under utilized for WorkIN and that all regions could tap into this for funding, if needed. Commissioner Sanders recommended that if the SWIC and DWD moves in this direction, it would be very important to ask the right questions of the regions in order to get useable information from the questions.

Mr. Klinck stated he will pull out guidance that was sent to the regions over the past two years and have the executive members re-read the information and provide feedback. The local planning policy for PY2013 will then be brought forth for consideration by the full SWIC at the next meeting.

- **Update on RWB to WIB transition**

Mr. Wimer provided a brief update on Regions 5, 8, 9, and 11's transition to a WIB-structure. Mr. Klinck suggested that the SWIC and DWD allow for the regions in transition to establish a transitional WIB in order to accomplish the business needed to ensure the transitions are completed by June 30, 2013. Mr. Wimer stated he will provide the regions with guidance tomorrow and let the regions know the minimum requirements for the transitional WIBs, and how to proceed.

- **Update on 2013 State Legislative Session**

Ms. Marshel discussed the current bills DWD is tracking now that legislative session has met the halfway point. She discussed HB 1487 which establishes a state-level REA program that would require UI claimants to physically come into a WorkOne, and stated this bill has support across the board. She gave an update on HB 1001, and stated there were \$5million added for the WorkIN program, \$14million for Adult Ed and \$12million for JAG. The remediation bill, HB 1005, has been amended by the House and will affect the WorkOne system because the bill will start pushing people that need remediation to DWD's Adult Ed program. Executive Committee members discussed this bill and were informed that DWD has brought up the issue of funding with the legislature, in order to ensure that the Adult Education system has enough funding to accommodate the additional students this bill would send to Adult Education providers.

- **Update on National Legislation and WIA Reauthorization Activities**

Commissioner Sanders began this discussion by passing around a letter of thanks from Congresswoman Brooks, who visited with the Executive Committee members at the Committee's meeting in August.

Commissioner Sanders then handed out an overview of the Workforce Investment Act Delivery System. He stated that with four of its congressional delegation on the House Education Committee, Indiana could have a good opportunity to have some input into WIA Reauthorization. He also reported that members of Indiana's congressional delegation have reached out to DWD to get knowledge about

ground level operations of WIA. Commissioner Sanders also shared that DWD continues to have an active involvement with NASWA which allows DWD to learn more about what other states are doing.

- **Discussion of Performance Metrics – Status of WorkOne Metrics Project**

Commissioner Sanders handed out the working document of the organization chart of the customer flow policy from Jan – Dec 2012. The members discussed getting more detailed information regarding training. As of July 1<sup>st</sup>, all regions we will be using the new fiscal program in TrackOne, which should allow for DWD to have greater access to financial data. There was more discussion regarding HB 1457 and the money that will be needed to serve the UI claimants that this bill will push towards WorkOne.

- **SWIC Member Attendance Review**

Mr. Klinck provided the Committee with a review of SWIC members' attendance for 2012. There was some discussion regarding certain members who did not attend a number of meetings last year. The Committee decided not to take any actions on attendance at this time.

Ms. Dowd ended the meeting with a brief note on Kentucky and what they are doing at the state level. Mr. Perkins suggested the next Executive Committee meeting to be held at Amatrol where we could invite staff from Kentucky to come and share ideas with the Committee.

- **Adjournment**

Mr. Perkins adjourned the meeting at 2:00pm.