

Minutes
Grow Southwest Indiana Workforce Board
8:30 a.m. CDT, August 28, 2020
Zoom Meeting

WDB Members Present:

Makenzie Coulter	Jason Nord	Drew Gerth	Ryan McRoberts
Michelle Schaefer	Darin Lander	Sue Habig	Sara Worstell
Terry Marsh	Bob Birge	Theo Boots	Jon Keck
Stephanie Norrick	Kyla Dowell	Lauren Kern	Elaine Graber

Others Present:

Commissioner Fred Payne	Timothy Dickel	Allison Johnston	Jennifer Montgomery
Carla Crowe	Chris Pfaff	Nancy Schroering	Tara Barney
Becky Springer	Jody Robinson		

Staff Present:

Kay Johnson	Dana Gustafson	Mary Hamilton	Angie Sheppard
Linda Jones			

Call to Order: The Zoom meeting was called to order by Chair Makenzie Coulter at 8:30 a.m. Central Time.

Roll Call: 16 WDB members present.

T.A. Dickel Group LLC: Makenzie Coulter introduced consultant, Dr. Timothy Dickel, who will be working with the WDB to develop and carry out a fund diversification strategy. Dr. Dickel described the steps from conception to implementation and asked members to join the Steering Committee to lead the project. Data collection will be completed in October, followed by a retreat, approval in December and roll out in January.

Commissioner Fred Payne: Commissioner Fred Payne thanked Makenzie Coulter and Sara Worstell for their leadership in Region 11. Commissioner Payne's message included: 1) workforce development and economic development's hand in hand mission, 2) an overview of the economic landscape 3) a request to all to help identify possible unemployment insurance fraud and 4) an update of Next Level Jobs and Workforce Ready training.

Additional Agenda Items: None

Consent Agenda:

Executive Committee: Makenzie Coulter stated the committee approved minutes, discussed the consultant contract and reviewed the WDB agenda.

Finance Committee: Carla Crowe gave an overview of the PY19, July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020, financial reports and PY20, July 2020 financial reports.

Operations Committee: Stephanie Norrick reported the PY19 placement goal was exceeded and performance metric goals are being met.

Business Services Committee: Jason Nord reported the committee discussed the Skillful Indiana Initiative, options for virtual Job Fairs, virtual Business Seminars, Next Level Jobs and selected the Business of the Year.

Youth Committee: Makenzie Coulter reported the committee reviewed reports and selected the Youth Participant of the Year.

Staff Report: Sara Worstell reported the Business Consultants have been working to help businesses move through the Next Level Jobs approval process. JobWorks staff are contacting 224 individuals that responded to the re-employment

survey. Currently WorkOne staff schedules are two rotating teams. Updates are being made to the WorkOne website to provide a more local flair.

WDB Consent Agenda: The Board reviewed the consent agenda items with no concerns.

Sue Habig motioned to approve all items in the consent agenda including:

- *WDB Minutes – June 26, 2020*
- *Executive Committee Minutes – June 19, 2020*
- *Finance Committee PY 19, PY 20 Financial Reports and Committee Minutes – June 19, 2020*
- *Operations Committee Reports & Minutes – June 19, 2020*
- *Business Services Committee Minutes – June 19, 2020*
- *Youth Committee Minutes & Reports – June 19, 2020*
- *WDB Staff Reports – June and July 2020*

Jason seconded. Motion passed.

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Old Business:

Evansville WorkOne Move: Sara Worstell reported the Evansville WorkOne successfully moved with little disruption in customer service. The move will result in considerable cost savings in the years to come. The final step of the move was the placement of the external signage.

New Business:

LEO/Annual Meeting: Makenzie Coulter stated the canceled Local Elected Officials meeting will be combined with the WDB's annual meeting to be held virtually Friday, September 25, 2020.

Public Comment: None

Prior to adjournment Theo Boots volunteered to serve on the Fund Development Steering Committee.

Stephanie Norrick motioned to adjourn at 9:50 am Central Time. Theo Boots seconded. Motion passed.

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Jason Nord, Workforce Development Board Secretary

November 2, 2020

Date