



Commission on Rehabilitation Services Meeting

November 4, 2022

10 a.m. (Eastern)

In-person and Virtual Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call/Welcome
 - a. The meeting was called to order by Michelle Oja

A	Greg Bedan	P	Brian Carnes	P	Jennifer Diaz
P	Shawn Fulton	P	Theresa Koleszar	V	Danie'l Mize
V	Michelle Oja	P	Richard Propes	P	Marc Ruiz
V	Stacey Smith	P	David Spradley	P	Willaine St. Pierre-Sandy
A	Mike Thibideau	P	Kate Barrow	V	Bonnie Bommer
A	Ron Brown	P	Ian Ragains		

(A=Absent, P=Present, T=Teleconference, Virtual =V, I=Invited Guest)

- II. Approval of the September 9, 2022, meeting minutes
 - a) The Commission voted unanimously in favor
- III. Public Comments
 - a) There were no members of the public who made comment
- IV. Employment Panel Discussion
 - a) Ted Brown, Vice President of Administration, Toyota
 - b) Stan Keepes, Executive Director, The Arc Southwest Indiana
 - c) Shelby Slowik, Associate VP of Human Resources, Connor Prairie
- V. 2022 Annual Report
 - a) Reviewed rough draft
 - b) Asked for additional comments, suggestions, and edits
 - May also be submitted after the meeting via email
 - c) Report is due to RSA December 30, 2022
- VI. BRS Director's Update
 - a) PY21 Performance
 - b) Opportunities for Indiana BRS – Update
 - RSA Grant – Indiana VR was funded
 1. Subminimum wage to competitive integrated employment
 2. \$13.9M over a 5-year period

3. VR will work with four pilot providers to implement “SE+” across seven 14(c) entities
 - a. Supported Employment with Fidelity
 - b. Training and technical assistance
 - c. Peer supports
 - d. Enhanced benefits counseling
 - e. Integrated resource teams
- c) Order of Selection Update
 - Released from waitlist – approx. 2,000
 1. Most-recent release was October 3, 2022
 2. We will target 3 to 4 additional releases in calendar year 2023
 - Current waitlist count – 1,894 as of 10/26/22
 1. 717 (38%) Priority Category 2
 2. 1,177 (62%) Priority Category 3

VII. Establish 2023 Meeting Dates

- a) January 13, 2023 – Meeting will be virtual
- b) March 10, 2023 – Meeting will be virtual
- c) May 12, 2023 – Meeting will be in person at Bosma
- d) July 14, 2023 – Meeting will be in person at Bosma
- e) September 8, 2023 – Meeting will be in person at Bosma
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VIII. Other Business

- a) Marc Ruiz and Ian Ragains joined the Awards Committee
- b) Bonnie Bomer and Brian Carnes joined the Policy & Oversight and Planning & Evaluation Committee

IX. Meeting Adjourned

Future meeting dates:	Time	Location
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