

One-Stop Operator Oversight (OSOO) Committee

November 18, 2020

Conference Call

Meeting Minutes

Members Present:	Randy Vernon-chair	Steve Snyder	Alicia Hanawalt
Staff Present:	Deb Waymire	Mellisa Leaming	Tina Overley-Hilt

Welcome

Chair Randy Vernon called the meeting to order at 3:00pm and welcomed those in attendance. A quorum was present to approve the OSOO meeting minutes from September 23, 2020.

A motion was made to approve the OSOO meeting minutes September 23, 2020 as presented.

Motion: Alicia Hanawalt

Second: Steve Snyder

Action: Unanimous approval

New Business

USDOL Rural Healthcare Grant

Region 4 is the lead applicant and fiscal agent on a USDOL Rural Healthcare grant in collaboration with eight other regions. The grant is a \$40 million grant opportunity supporting 15-40 grants ranging from \$500,000 to \$2.5 million. Our Indiana Rural Healthcare H1-B Coalition proposal is for total funding of \$2.5 million to serve 875 individuals. Region 4 was asked to be the lead agent because of our success with H1-B grants. The purpose of the grant program is to (1) increase the number of individuals training in healthcare occupations that directly impact patient care; and (2) alleviate healthcare workforce shortages by creating sustainable employment and training programs in healthcare occupations serving rural populations. The targeted populations to be served include unemployed and underemployed who are underrepresented, underserved, and disadvantaged. Targeted occupations include Certified Nursing Assistant, Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses, Registered Nurses, and other qualified H1-B occupations in rural communities. The proposal was submitted on November 13, 2020. The anticipated effective date is January 15, 2021 if awarded. Our service provider, JobWorks will be responsible for ensuring the success of the grant, oversight and monitoring, data reporting and fiscal tracking.

Registered Apprenticeship Sponsor

Region 4 has a new role as registered apprenticeship (RA) sponsor which will assist employers to have RA programs. We worked closely with U.S. DOL Office of Apprenticeship to complete the necessary paperwork and processes for CNC Operator (milling and turning) Registered Apprenticeship program. We were certified effective October 7, 2020 and are working with Caterpillar Large Engine Center to certify eight individuals as Registered CNC Operator Apprentices. There is already an inquiry to assist in Maintenance RA program and we will be learning more about USDOL Industry Recognized Apprenticeship Programs called IRAPS.

WorkOne Offices

The rise in COVID cases is affecting the WorkOne offices and staff. We currently have 6 staff quarantined due to their exposure to individuals who tested positive. We just had one of the Board staff return to work after quarantine.

To keep as many offices open as possible and not risk quarantining all staff in an office, we will revert back to our 2 team approach and serve customers by appointment only. One half of staff will work remotely –the other half in the office, for 2-week rotations. This change will go into effect for the Lafayette, Kokomo and Logansport offices beginning Monday, November 30, 2020. We will temporarily close our Monticello and Peru offices. The changes and how best to access service will be posted on all office doors, the WorkOne West Central website and Facebook. Information will also be provided by telephone recordings. This is a process we had in place earlier this year that seemed successful.

Over the past 3 weeks, the daily average has been low.

Lafayette-21
Kokomo -21
Logansport -10
Monticello- 4.5
Peru- 3.5

We will be able to manage the number of customers needing service with the appointment system. About 30-50% of the daily average have been individuals needing unemployment insurance information and access.

WIOA Performance PY 20 1st Quarter

The 1st Quarter PY20 WIOA performance data is not yet available from DWD.

Old Business

Coming up

- One Stop certification of the WorkOne offices.
- RPF for Service Provision and One Stop Operator
- Local Plan submission
- DWD monitoring
- Consider placement of the current Chair of the OSOO and Youth Committee if elected as Board Chair.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Alicia Hanawalt

Second: Steve Snyder

Action: Unanimous approval

Meeting adjourned at 3:20pm

Respectfully submitted,
Tina Overley-Hilt
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