

**ONE-STOP PARTNER COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, October 18, 2011**

The One Stop Partner Meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Debbie Clausen.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Debbie Clausen, Sara Escatel, Pam Furlan, Janet Graham, Sue Isermann, James Knauf, Lori Pemberton, Dianna Schuler, Joel Torbeck

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bobbi Adams, Judy Fiste

OTHERS PRESENT: Nancy Curran, Mary Wieczorek

Approval of the Meeting Minutes

Dianna Schuler motioned to approve the June 28, 2011 Meeting Minutes as submitted. Motion was seconded by Janet Graham and carried.

Business Meeting

PY 2011 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Update

Pam Furlan gave an update on the MOU stating that she thought it would have been approved 2 weeks ago. To that point, Pam said that Less Boucher, IDES, indicated that the plan looked acceptable, but no formal response has yet been obtained. Consequently, the Cost Allocation Plan was not acted upon. It was generally agreed that if MOU approval is received before the One Stop Partner Committee meets again in February 2012, voting on the MOU as an action item could be performed by the full NCI Works Board.

Pam also shared that Nancy Curran, local IDES office manager, is working on her nomination form, but nothing has been formalized yet.

Illinois workNet Update

Joel Torbeck said that there were 76 news registrations on Illinois workNet. Joel went on to say that the Certified Illinois workNet Advisor online course is now available and he will be sending an email regarding this information. Joel also mentioned that WIA policy letters can be accessed on workNet and a new business component is planned to be added to the system. Debbie Clausen said her Manpower office refers clients to workNet as does Department of Human Services and Office of Rehabilitative Services as noted by Janet Graham and Jim Knauf respectively.

Joel took up the issue of the Illinois Job Link project saying that live roll-out may be delayed. Training for the system is now being provided. Some concerns of the system are that there may be too much information on the system, especially aspects which are private in nature. Also, more coordination between Illinois workNet and Illinois Job Link would be very welcome. Joel said that Framework Project is being developed as a state gateway to services offered.

No Place Like Home Update

Dianna Schuler said that the No Place like Home page received 8,686 website hits. She said employer listings on the site have now gone beyond our own workforce area. John Deere in the Quad Cities is posting CNC, welding and other positions with good pay and incentives. Dianna also noted that the Quad Cities is an affordable area for relocation.

Update on Public Transportation Committees

Dianna Schuler told members that there was no update on the Public Transportation Committee since no new meeting has occurred since the last update. Joel Torbeck noted that the Bureau and Putnam Area Rural Transit has a vehicle stop at IVCC multiple times a day and may carry even more passengers in winter.

I-39 Initiative

Dianna said that the aim of the initiative is to bring development between our region and the Bloomington area. She said that 4 sub committees or work groups now stand. These groups address: broadband access, utilities, workforce and sustainability. Dianna asked members to relay any information to her regarding area businesses which may have unmet needs or concerns.

Other Business

Pam asked Nancy Curran to relay some information regarding Illinois Job Link, the system which replaces Illinois Skills Match. Nancy did so by saying that the new system is a work in progress and that training is being offered. She said that the new system links Indeed and Monster and is no longer a “matching” system of job skills to employer needs. Nancy also said that IJL was adopted from the state of Kansas. Dianna Schuler added that in Kansas, WIA and the Unemployment Services used the same system. Illinois is a large state, and Nancy said that if IJL is successful here, use may spread to more states. October 21, 2011 was to be the roll-out date, but Nancy said this has been delayed.

Public Comments

None

Adjournment

With there being no further business, Dianna Schuler motioned to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Sue Isermann and carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Mary Wiczorek