



Northwest Wisconsin Chief Local Elected Official Consortium Workforce Development Area #7

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The mission of the Consortium is to maintain the integrity of the WIOA funds.

Date & Time: Wednesday – March 20, 2024 - 10:30 a.m.

Location: CEP, Inc. Office – Ashland, WI & Via Zoom

MEETING MINUTES

CLEOs/LEOs Present:

Rollie Thums, Taylor County
Terry Wedwick, Rusk County
Charlie Glazman, Douglas County
Larry Fickbohm, Bayfield County
Jocelyn Ford, Washburn County
Joe Pinardi, Iron County
Patricia Stephan, Price County
Elizabeth Franek, Ashland County – via Zoom
Emmett Byrne, Burnett County – via Zoom

Excused:

Michael Maestri, Sawyer County

Staff/Guests:

Jeff Muse, CEP
Jennifer Decker, CEP
Mary Zinnecker, CEP
Bob Kopisch, CEP Board/LEO
Mari Kay-Nabozny, NWWIB
Dave Willingham, CEP Board/LEO
Jeff Ervin, WIPFLI
Bill Kacvinsky, CEP

Call Meeting to Order

Rollie Thums, Consortium Chairman called the meeting to order.

Roll Call & Report of Public Meeting Notice

Roll call was taken, a quorum was present. The public meeting notice was published on the CEP website, social meeting, area library websites and County Government websites.

Approval of the 1/17/24 Meeting Minutes

Larry Fickbohm made a motion to approve the 1/17/24 meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Joe Pinardi. Vote taken, carried unanimously.

Mission Statement

Terry Wedwick stated that the mission of the Consortium is to maintain the integrity of the WIOA funds by the Chief Local Elected Officials.

Action Item: Review/Approve WIOA Local Plan 2024-2027

Mari Kay-Nabozny, NWWIB CEO explained that the WIOA four-year plan is due for renewal and revisions (which were done). It needs to be approved today and then the WIB Board will approve it tomorrow. Then it goes to DWD for approval. She explained the four-year plan content. She also noted the plan is refreshed every two years.

Charlie Glazman made a motion to approve the WIOA Local Plan as presented. Seconded by Patricia Stephen. Vote taken, carried.

Action Item: Review/Approve New NWWIB Board Member Applicant

Mari reported that there is a vacancy on the NWWIB. She noted that Andrea Chartier from Essentia Health is able to fill a vacancy in the healthcare sector. Her application was included in the meeting packet.

Elizabeth Franek made a motion to approve the new healthcare representative, Andrea Chartier to the NWWIB. Seconded by Larry Fickbohm. Vote taken, carried.

DWD PY22 WIOA Response Monitoring Report

Mari explained that we're in last stages of the monitoring status. We responded to DWD and they responded back. There are a couple items to fix. She noted that EEO and Fiscal are complete. The monitoring will start again in October 2024.

NWWIB Regional Program Enrollment Report

Mari gave an update on the NWWIB's program enrollment report that is done quarterly. She explained the handout in the packet which shows the program enrollments for each county and grant. She noted co-enrollments have been really high and no programs are meeting or exceeding their outcome goals.

NWWIB Budget vs Expenditures

Mari distributed a statement of financial position which she explained. She noted they are still working with WIPFLI as their fiscal contractor. She explained corporate funds and grant revenues. She said overall it looks really good.

Discussion took place on early childhood education and daycare need in the region. Mari discussed the Wisconsin Shares program that is underutilized in our area. This service is provided through each County's Health and Human Services.

Comments & Announcements

a. Renewal of NWWIB Fiscal Agent (NWCEP) agreement by end of June 2024

Mari noted we have to renew the NWWIB and NWCEP Fiscal Agent agreement which needs to be approved June 30, 2024. Jeff noted that there may be decrease in WIOA allocations that could affect this agreement.

Mari distributed the OSO Report for quarter two which she explained.

Next Meeting Date & Location & Adjournment

Charlie Glazman made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Joe Pinardi. Vote take, carried.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, June 19th or at the call of the Chair. The meeting was adjourned at 11:20