

Minutes

Workforce Development Board
May 19, 2009
12:15 p.m.
Baker College/The Meeting Place

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Muskegon/Oceana Consortium Workforce Development Board was called to order by 2nd Vice-Chair, Bessie Aaron, at 12:35 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Bessie Aaron, John Arnoldi, Louis Churchwell, Mary Ann Herbst, Char Holloway, Jane Johnson's alt. Gary Tornga, Mark Mangione, and Tom O'Brien

Members Excused: Judy Bosma, Ed Garner, Vicky Hilliard, Dave Johnson, Jane Johnson, Russell Kopp, William Lowry, Steven Meyers, Robert Moritz, Christine Robere, Wendi Rudholm, Bobbi Spence, Lisa Stafford, Lisa Velez, and Sherry White

Also Present: Blanche Smith-FSWDC, Tom Griffin-GWIWDC, Valarie Thompson-WLWDC, Ann Herrygers-OETWDC, Chris Whitman-OVWDC, Terri Crabtree and Robin-EWP, Dee Carlson-Muskegon Public Schools/MTEC, Erin Kenny and Shiray L. Watson-DET

III. MINUTES:

-WDB-08-29-It was moved by Louis Churchwell, supported by Mark Mangione to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2009, Muskegon/Oceana Consortium's Workforce Development Board meeting, as presented.

Motion Carried.

IV. CHAIR'S REPORT:

- None

V. MICHIGAN PRISON REENTRY INITIATIVE (MPRI) REPORT:

- Received, as information, a copy of the most recent Participant Activity and Financial Report data for the Michigan Prison ReEntry Initiative (MPRI).

- Received a Budget Adjustment Request for the \$204,000 allocation for the expansion to the Muskegon/Oceana/Ottawa MPRI Program. Ms. Erin Kenny stated that the additional funding would be designated to four (4) specific areas: housing, workforce development, transportation, and healthcare services. Ms. Kenny added that there are an estimated 137 individuals coming into the MPRI program before the end of the fiscal year.

-WDB-08-30-It was moved by Tom O'Brien, supported by Mark Mangione, to approve the \$204,000 allocation for the expansion of the Muskegon/Ocena/Ottawa MPRI Program.

VI. MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, LABOR AND ECONOMIC GROWTH (MDELEG) MONITORING REPORT:

- Received information on the MDELEG's monitoring letters regarding the findings during the previous on-site review of the Muskegon/Oceana Consortium and service providers. Ongoing discussions had been occurring between Paul, Wendy and the MDELEG monitoring unit to resolve differences with the Consortium's contracting and fiscal standards of service providers. However, due to the on-going recovery/absence of Paul and Wendy, DET will be conceding to the findings of the monitoring unit, and will begin implementation of full fiscal monitoring of the service providers to comply.

VII. AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM:

- Received a copy of the Program Summary for the ARRA Summer Youth Employment Program Contracts. This will allow for the provision of the ARRA funds (\$1.2 million) to existing youth contractors enabling prompt development of a summer youth paid work experience program for WIA eligible participants. This will be an expansion of the existing, competitively procured contracts for youth services funded by the ARRA.

-WDB-08-31-It was moved by Mark Mangione, supported by Char Holloway, to approve the Program Summary detailing the contract extension of existing youth contractors to provide/develop a summer youth paid work experience program for WIA eligible participants, ages 14-24.

VIII. OJT COMMITTEE REPORT:

- Received the Voucher Funding Analysis reflecting activity through May 2009, WDB approvals.

- May Classroom Voucher Training requests for \$13,327.50 were presented for approval.

-WDB-08-32-It was moved by Mark Mangione, supported by Char Holloway, to approve the May Classroom Training Voucher Requests based upon the availability of funds.

Motion Carried.

-WDB-08-33-It was moved by Mark Mangione, supported by John Arnoldi, to approve the following requests for OJT positions, not to exceed \$31,423.34, based upon the availability of funds:

<u>EMPLOYER</u>		<u>OCCUPATION</u>	<u>COST</u>
Agape Home, Inc.	1	Resident Life Partner I	2,000.00
Apparelmaster-Muskegon, Inc.	1	Laundry Worker	662.30
Golden Years Personal Care Hme	1	Resident Care Aide	1,972.00
Moore Investment Properties	1	Apprentice	2,000.00
Pratt & Whitney Comp. Solutions	1	Buyer/Inventory Anylst	2,000.00
	1	Warranty/Sales	2,000.00
	1	Sub Contractor Rep.	2,000.00
Schultz Transport, Inc.	1	Landscaping/Team Ldr	1,266.00
Wesco, Inc.	<u>1</u>	Sales Associate	<u>888.00</u>
	9		14,788.30
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Motion Carried.

IX. UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

- None.

X. OLD BUSINESS:

- None.

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

- Tom O'Brien stated that MCC is expecting to receive a Federal Department of Transportation (DOT) Grant, in the amount of \$104,000, for CDL Training.

XII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

- None.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT:

- There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

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