

Northeast Michigan Consortium  
Administrative Board  
May 19, 2008  
Atlanta, Michigan

- I. Call to Order – 10:10 a.m.
- II. Introductions and Approval of the March 10, 2008 Meeting Minutes

Kauffman, Wingate, Timm, Lange, Wallace, Glasser  
Staff: Ries, Basel, Zielaskowski  
Excused: fournier

Minutes: Timm, Wingate. AAMC.

- III. Director's Report
  - A. Job Fair Summary. Very well attended by both employers and job seekers. Employers at Alpena very complimentary of mi works efforts.
  - B. State budget. Revenues way down. Need 61 million for current year, between general budget and school aid fund. Implication, gov rqstd 40 mil for nwlb from general fund, senate committee lined it out of budget last week, signifcant blow to the admin. Reps and senators from our area are in favor, however, the funds are lacking. Medc gets revenues from Indian gaming.
  - C. NWLB: Basel will update w/ allocations, state rcvd signifcant increase in wia funds due to unemplymnt rate, gained 43% in dw funds from last year. Hoping for discretionary \$\$, have 20 on waiting list for schooling in sept. lansing very centrally oriented in planning \$\$, w/o input from MWAs. Job fairs across the state attracted employers from other states seeking workers. Some resentment of administrative style.
  - D. Great Lakes Tissue Co. Company in Green Bay purchasing will rcv funding and inducements thru MEDC. We will be involved w/training to offset costs w/ OJTs. No hard facts yet. NPS Corp (National Packaging Services) intend to retain 65 jobs, hire 56 more in 1-1.5 years, then an additional 38 workers after than. Goal to use iw funds to train on new technology. Will try to get state discretionary funds for that. Have committed to them. Cheb office will help w/ recruitment, assessment, testing and referrals. Waiting on financial approval from state.
  - E. Dist "ret on investment" published by state. Ask ries if need more to distribute. Kauffman asked number of caseload reduction for wf/jet.

- F. PTAC. Hoffmeyer presented at last meeting. Grant from dod has been submitted for 116k/year. Glasser, wingate support grant application for jan 1, 2009. aamc. Ptac rcvd increase medc funding. Ptac will continue to increase their visibility across the region. Call us to schedule her to speak to groups.
- G. Auditor general went into dleg, and will be coming out to each of the 25 mwas. We completed a survey for them (narrative and budget). Tracking where funds are being spent.
- H. Mi works annual conf 9/7 – 9/9 at rencen in Detroit. If interested in going contact ries.

#### IV. Contract Awards

Working with draft allocations (other than ES). Staff were very satisfied w/ the quality of the proposal recvd from only from current contractors. MMI attended bid conf for adult, but didn't submit a proposal. Review committee met on 5/8/08 to discuss and make recommendations.

- A. WIA Youth Proposals. Total rqstd availbl funds by 10,993. divide that amount by percent of total reuestd for i-s funds only. Asked committee to issue youth for one year, w/one year extension, then rebid. In 3 years do adult and es to stagger years for process. Wia has not been reauth, we require 50% of funds on i-s/o-s. older youth (19-21) w/b referred to adult & dw funding sources, won't be served by youth providers. Each one of the youth proposers failed to provide past experience, which was rquest in the event of new proposers. Those presenting new program ideas rcvd a higher score. Wallace moved to award contracts to the four proposers at the amounts recommended for one year, with a possible one-year extension, supported by lange. Glasser ? how did the participant costs compare to recent years. Marisue did cost/price analysis, ncmc higher than in the year's past due to some admin costs they charge to the grant. (as opposed to i-l which charges no admin costs). Staff asked to clarify on performance, all resubmitted with actions they would take. More weight on corrective action and how it would be achieved. I-l have rqstd addtn' funds to serve wolv, vand and mack city school districts who have requested the same types of services from i-l program. Glasser would like to know if ncmc has talked w/ joburg schools re services. Schools have other sources to offset costs. Ncmc is thru ibit and they don't have the supplemental dollars from ncmc. Aamc.
- B. WIA Adult/DW/WR/FEAT\*& Trade. Draft allocations rcvd w/rfp were lower, reissued rfp, republicized, extended due date w/ addtnl funds. Only rcvd proposal from nemcsa. Total rqstd \$3,004,450.00. w/r and

fae&t programs run 10/1 – 9/30. exec comm. Recommended funding for one year, w/ two possible one year extensions. Cost/price very well. Lange, Timm. AAMC. Glasser, Wingate abstained.

- C. ES: one proposal rcvd from ncmc. Wagner payesr 160k. wia unreg core funds of 60k (duplicative of w-p fund services). No supportive services, all staff. Addtn'l wia funds helps to provide more staffing coverage, fills the gaps between es and nemcsa rr coverage. Recommend funding a two year contract (required by the state), w/ a possible one year extension. W-p funds are federal. Has perf meas now, based on wage record data (submitted by employers) that we can't access in Michigan. W-p have merit-based staffing requirements and a gov/sec or post-sec education entity (must be a state gov generated type of entity, a federal edict, and nemcsa is a non-profit). All staff are part-time, rcvd no benefits. Wingate, timm. Aamc.

Ries: dw funds were so much higher in allocation. Haven't allocated the addtn' 20k rcvd as the CLEG is looking at adopting a national work readiness cert, rquiring work keys testing.

- V. Performance Measures Updates. Only MWA exceeding for five consecutive years.

- VI. Program Updates.

A, FAE&T \$46,394 deobligated 10k returned to state.

B. NWLB GF/GP (\$18,230) and TANF (\$16,225) for the JET program. Must be spent by 9/30. can only be used for training jet participants, no admin. 50% of Jet participants must meet fed participation or lose fed funds. Staff meets quarterly w/dhs directors, local staff offices meeting monthly w/dhs. We as a mwa are at 63%. May end up returning funds if there are no alternative ways to utilize. Fed added new regs under jet as to what comprises 50% participation.

C, ES allocation for PY08 \$244,125.

Wallace, lange, accept draft allocations for wia to include the final allocations when rcvd. Aamc.

DPN training that will occur in june for staff.

- VII. WIA Incumbent Worker Program Contract Awards

Basel dist summary of contract awards. \$58,940 was available. 3 training providers for 6 employers. Some have been completed, all must be completed by 6/30/08. MWAs in metro areas rcv more of these funds. Should now by sept if we get funds for next year.

VIII. Michigan Prisoner Re-entry Initiative (MPRI) Status. Plan was approved. New comm. Coordinator on staff. Coming next w/b community meetings for entities that would like to be involved with MPRI (west branch – july; elk ridge – October). Recruiting entities for advisory board to direct mpri funding. Nemcsa has contract to provide services.

IX. Other Business  
Next meeting on mon 9/22/08 at elk ridge.

X. Public Comment none

XI. Adjourn – 11:54 a.m.