

LWIA 21
Workforce Development Board
One-Stop Partners/MAAJC Committee Meeting Minutes
August 22, 2024

Chairperson, Dr. Val Harris called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m.

Roll Call was by Introduction and Sign-In Sheet.

Roll Call:

Dr. Val Harris

Robert Heape

Matt Jones

David Lacy

Chris Casey

Marsha Mueller-Boehler

Betty Scheldt

Remote:

Stephanie Stahlhut

Approval of Minutes

Dr. Harris asked the board to approve the August 22, 2024, meeting minutes included in the meeting packet.

Motion: It was moved by Robert Heape, seconded by David Lacy to approve the August 22, 2024, meeting minutes as presented. All votes aye. **Motion carried.**

Discussion Points

Dr. Harris commented that our process for the customer referrals is in place and works, but there is uncertainty regarding the formality of the process. Chris commented that when IWDS 2.0 is in place, there will be a referral process on the Illinois Workforce Development System (IWDS) side. Matt stated that referrals were a big part of the Service Integration Plan. There were seven goals with thirty application points. Most goals are around referrals, customer satisfaction, intake and delivery of services. Val suggested a committee or small group to look into surveys or have a working meeting via Teams to discuss ideas and then bring it back to the full committee. Val will set up a meeting to tackle Goal #1. Each goal interlaps into the next goal. The idea is to complete each goal and then move on to the next goal.

Other Business:

Dr. Harris then asked if there were any other collaborations to share.

Matt discussed the Home Illinois Grant for the homeless. We will be working closely with Illinois Valley for this grant. This grant will cover Macoupin, Montgomery, Shelby and Greene Counties in our region. It will provide training, job search assistance and wrap-around support services for the homeless. It will not influence our Performance Measures. There is a webinar regarding this grant on August 27th at 10:30 a.m.

Dr. Harris mentioned Lewis and Clark will be working on a grant for Innovation Bridge. It is a wrap-around support for adults in rural areas that bridges people to college or work. There has not been a lot of recruitment yet. They also have an Illinois High School Diploma class at the Macoupin County Jail starting on Monday, August 26th, that will meet every week.

Partner Updates

David Lacy advised IDES will hold a Job Fair at the Crown Plaza on August 27th.

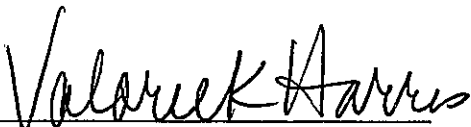
Dr. Harris mentioned that Lewis and Clark will have a Job Fair on April 2, 2025, and a Wellness and Resource Fair on September 10, 2024. CDL and drone training will also start soon.

David Lacy explained that Viper Coal Mines near Elkhart are laying off people to close down the mine.

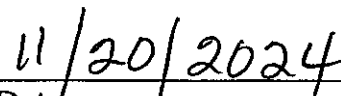
There being no other business:

Motion: A motion was made by Matt Jones and seconded by Robert Heape to adjourn the meeting. All vote aye. **Motion Carried.**

The meeting adjourned at 4:13 p.m.



Dr. Val Harris, Chairperson



Date