

### **UPSTATE WORKFORCE BOARD ONE STOP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

July 28, 2021

12:00 p.m.

SC Works-Room 114

#### Present:

Mr. Robbie Faucett, Committee Chair

Mr. Jeff Gossett, Committee Member (Call-in)

Mr. Craig Jacobs, Committee Member

Mr. Marion Littlejohn, Committee Member

Ms. Ann Angermeier, UWB

Ms. Nikoya Shaw, UWB

Ms. Dana Wood, UWB

Mr. Adam Lindsley, SC Works

Ms. Anne Brock-Trail, Guest

## Welcome

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Robbie Faucett, Chair, at 12:09 p.m. and he welcomed everyone in attendance.

#### **Financial Report**

Ms. Dana Wood, UWB Associate Director, gave a snapshot of the budget year. She noted that spending was at 96.72% on the grant overall. Ms. Wood shared that the funds remaining will carry over into unobligated funds. Ms. Ann Angermeier, UWB Executive Director, shared that the participant cost rate continues to be a struggle, though it was met for PY20. Ms. Wood shared that there would be budget modifications in October once carryover is known and fiscal funding for PY21 is made available. Ms. Angermeier shared that Ms. Wood secured approximately \$172,000 from other areas. Ms. Wood shared that the Rapid Response Grant had a remaining balance of \$1.48.

# **Local IWT Funds**

Ms. Wood shared that 20% of the total allocation could be used for local IWT Training funds. She requested permission to utilize \$25,000 of Program Year 2021 (PY21) training dollars for local IWT Training. *Mr. Marion Littlejohn made a motion to allow for \$25,000 of training funds be used for local IWT Training. Mr. Craig Jacobs seconded the motion. There were no abstentions and the motion carried.* 

## **SC Works Update**

Mr. Adam Lindsley, SC Works Operations Manager, gave the *Just in Time* and *Dashboard reports*. Mr. Lindsley reported that center traffic increased since March. He noted that there were 51 WIN tests taken primarily for Michelin and Cooper Standard. Mr. Lindsley highlighted that 93.5% positive feedback was received from Customer Satisfaction Surveys.

He highlighted that there were 243 total Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) enrollments for PY20. Mr. Lindsley stated that there could be improvements related to special populations, specifically those who are identified as disabled. The committee held discussion about different types of training that staff have received regarding self-identification by clients. Mr. Lindsley shared that the Onthe-Job training (OJT) goal of 20 OJTs was exceeded with 21 for the year. He shared that there are a lot of outreach events being attended and success stories are available for committee members to review.

#### **Selective Service Waiver**

Ms. Wood shared that two or three waivers will be sent to the committee members via email for approval. She noted that there are two brothers who are needing waivers. They are refugees who were not eligible to register. Ms. Wood informed the committee that there is another potential OJT participant who was incarcerated during his youth and not given guidance on the requirement to register. It is asked that members review the information provided in detail prior to submitting their vote.

### **Updates**

Ms. Wood shared that there is an initiative to revitalize the Enoree community. She noted that the initiative is primarily geared toward the physical appearance of the community. There are groups working to improve quality of life for the residents as well. She shared with the committee that a relationship has been built with a local church. SC Works staff are working to set up a few computers at the church for job searches and access to virtual meetings with SC Works staff regarding available services.

Ms. Angermeier shared that a 2<sup>nd</sup> Veterans Roundtable event was held and that the group is working on improving the referral process for organizations that serve veterans. She informed the committee that Ms. Johnnie-Lynn Crosby, SC Works Greater Upstate Regional Business Solutions Director, will be conducting a demonstration of SC Works Online Services (SCWOS) and its referral function.

Ms. Wood shared that all Business Service Team (BST) Surveys are included in the committee packets for committee members to review. She noted that Ms. Cornedia Jackson, was handling survey responses but due to budget cuts, Mr. Brent Bishop, UWB CFO, will take over surveys and will provide future results to the committee.

# 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Preliminary Reports

Ms. Wood informed the committee that the Dislocated Worker (DW) credential measure is likely to be failed for the year. Ms. Wood noted that the  $4^{th}$  quarter cohort is only 9 people. She shared that with small cohorts, one or two failures or incompletes hurt the group more than with a large cohort. Adult median wages are also going to be a close call for the year. Ms. Wood informed the committee that she would get them the final performance numbers once she receives them.

# **Other Business**

Ms. Angermeier informed the committee that a discussion on a mask policy for SC Works Centers is needed at an upcoming meeting.

# <u>Adjournment</u>

With there being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

The next meeting is to be held on September 29, 2021.