

Upstate Workforce Investment Board
One Stop
Committee Summary

Meeting Date	February 23, 2015 12:00 p.m.
Contact for Questions and Concerns	Mr. Craig Jacobs - 864.266.1561 Email: cjacobs@spencerhines.com Ms. Brenda Connelly – 864.562.4444 Ext. 111 Email : bconnelly@upstatewib.org
Significant Items and Issues Raised	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>January 2015 Dashboard</i> • <i>SC Works Upstate Update</i> • <i>Secret Shopper Report Discussion</i> • <i>DEW Issues</i>
Action Taken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee recommended that Mr. David Wall, Upstate WIB chair, respond to the letter he received from Spartanburg County Council members Mr. Jeff Horton and Mr. David Britt. Mr. Jacobs will make the request. • The committee decided to postpone any further discussions with SCDEW regarding the RSA and Business Services issues until the USDOL monitoring review report is received, after their March 9 – 13, 2015 visit. • The committee decided to schedule an additional committee meeting after the USDOL visit to determine next steps, if needed.
Results and Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Brenda Connelly, Upstate WIB OneStop Services Coordinator, shared the January 2015 SC Works Upstate Dashboard with the committee. The dashboard was reviewed and briefly discussed. • SC Works Upstate Project Director, Mr. Doug Stephenson, updated the committee on some recent SC Works Upstate happenings. He reported that new signage had been installed at the SC Works Spartanburg center. He also noted that new bulletin boards had been decorated in the main lobby of the Spartanburg center, one of which spotlights a local partner. A new partner will be spotlighted each month. Mr. Stephenson relayed that the annual job fair will be held on May 7, 2015 in the SCC gymnasium. He said that 17 OJT contracts had been written as of this date, making the total of 31 required by the end of the program year attainable. He also proudly announced that the SWIB chose our local partner, AARP, for the Outstanding SC Works Partner of the Year Award. Discussions ensued. • Mr. Jacobs and Ms. Connelly updated the committee on some ongoing and recent issues with SCDEW. Mr. Jacobs briefly spoke about a letter that was sent by Spartanburg County Councilmen, Mr. Jeff Horton and Mr. David Britt, supporting Upstate WIB efforts and offering assistance to convince SCDEW to co-locate into the comprehensive center at 220 East Kennedy Street in Spartanburg so that our area would be in compliance with Workforce Investment Act regulations. The letter was sent to SCDEW Executive Director, Ms. Cheryl Stanton, and Upstate WIB Chair, Mr. David Wall. He suggested that the OneStop Oversight Committee recommend that Mr. Wall respond to the letter thanking the councilmen for supporting the Upstate WIB's efforts. He also reported that USDOL planned a monitoring visit to the Upstate area during the week of March 9 – 13, 2015. Ms. Connelly then updated the committee on RSA progress and some recent business services issues reported by local businesses. The committee decided to postpone any action regarding these issues until after the USDOL visit and report. The committee would like Ms. Connelly to create a binder outlining our issues with SCDEW, using the Center for Workforce Learning's

	<p>independent audit report as a template since the report did a great job of identifying the main issues. They would like each issue tabbed in the binder with supporting documentation.</p> <p>The committee discussed sending a “cease and desist” letter to SCDEW due to their decision not to close the Church Street office after the USDOL told them they were operating the center out of compliance. The committee decided that again they will wait until USDOL issues a report to see if SCDEW will comply with their directive. If not, then the committee would like to revisit the “cease and desist” letter. Discussion ensued.</p> <p>The committee will schedule an additional committee meeting next month to determine next steps, if needed.</p>
<p>Items Referred for Board Action</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Website Reference</p>	<p><u>www.upstatewib.org</u></p>