

Workforce Investment Board of Northwest Georgia
 Consortia/One-Stop Committee
 Wednesday, May 12, 2014, 11:00 a.m.
 Gordon County Chamber of Commerce
 Calhoun, Georgia

Minutes

Consortia Members Present	Consortia Members Absent	One-Stop Members Present	One-Stop Members Absent	Staff & Guests Present
Lisa Adkisson Lloyd Frasier Lucy Hale (proxy for Pete McDonald) Allan Whitehead (proxy for Ed James)	Kristy Wilson	Lisa Adkisson Shelia Callaway Lorraine Green	Vicki Defalco Angie Douglass Ed James Daphne Johnson Gerry Nechvatal	Gwen Dellinger Lori Fields Randy Gayler Susan Gentry Sarah Harrison Sharon Holliday Terri Morgan Phyllis Walker Anne Rapp

Lisa Adkisson called the Consortia meeting to order. It was determined that a quorum was present for the Consortia but not for the One-Stop Committee. Ms. Adkisson asked for a motion to accept the minutes (attached) from the January 15, 2014 Consortia meeting . Lloyd Frasier noted that the first paragraph erroneously referenced “Ms. Fraiser.” Lloyd Frasier made the motion that the minutes be accepted with the noted change. Allan Whitehead seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Gwen Dellinger presented those present with a budget for Career Adviser Contracts (attached). She noted, also, that current performance was also included and that all providers and met or exceeded performance measures. Lloyd Frasier made the motion that the Career Adviser Contract budgets be accepted. Allan Whitehead seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Sarah Harrison stated that One-Stop Resource Sharing Agreements (RSA) were not available. She stated that most of the Career Centers have new managers and that new requirements for the Career Centers has made it difficult to prepare a budget and to collect the data needed to determine the services and contributions for each One-Stop. Ms. Dellinger reminded those present that the law states that each area will have at least one Comprehensive One-Stop. She asked if one One-Stop was close to being comprehensive. After some discussion, it was determined that West Georgia Technical College’s One-Stop in Waco was perhaps the center with the most partners visiting. Ms. Adkisson and Ms. Dellinger agreed to work together to get all required partners participation. Allan Whitehead made the motion that the One-Stop Center which was ready be approved contingent upon a completed RSA. Lloyd Frasier seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dellinger informed those present that clarification had been requested from the state regarding the support policy as it applies to tools (handout attached). The support policies for the state are unclear in classifying support (tools) under “support allowable during training” as opposed to “support provided in order to obtain and retain employment.” Ms. Dellinger asked that the Consortia approve revision of the support policy incorporating guidance from the state. Allan Whitehead made the motion that staff be

allowed to revise the support policy for FY 15 incorporating guidance from the state regarding the classification of tools. Lloyd Fraiser seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dellinger also stated that staff is recommending requesting a waiver of the \$3,000 supportive services cap for a portion of WIA participants (handout attached). A defined group of participants has been selected for which to request the waiver. The waiver request is for any participant (adult, DW, youth) in the ITA or youth programs that has two or more children or a current family income that does not exceed 175% of the poverty level. Staff is requesting that for this population of participants we be able to provide support with a cap of \$150 per week or \$6,000 per program year. Allan Whitehead made the motion that staff be allowed to request this waiver. Lloyd Fraiser seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dellinger then informed those present that, currently, all participants being served fall within our poverty guidelines. She also stated that our Priority of Services Policy allows us to open up training to individuals who meet the self sufficiency guidelines (175% of the poverty guidelines) if funds are available. Ms. Dellinger asked that the Consortia endorse allowing our area to serve this population of individuals. Lloyd Fraiser made the motion that our area serve individuals whose incomes meet the self sufficiency guidelines, as stated in the Priority of Services Policy. Allan Whitehead seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Revision: Changed “Mr. Fraiser” to “Mr. Frasier” in the first paragraph.