

State Workforce Innovation Council
Indiana Government Center South
10 N Senate Ave
Indianapolis, IN 46204
March 21, 2013, 10:00AM

MEETING MINUTES
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Present: Brian Burton, Dan Clark, Billie Dragoo, Mark Goldman, Kay Gordon, Sandra Hartz, Randall Holmes, Leroy Jackson, Andrew Kossack, Mark Maassel, Cathy Metcalf, Rebecca Nickoli, Jac Padgett, Renee Palmer, Dan Peterson, Paula Pinkstaff, Derek Redelman, Scott Sanders, Mayor Wayne Seybold, Bill Stanczykiewicz, Kevin Wachtel, Trish Whitcomb

Also present from Department of Workforce Development: Jackie Dowd; Deputy Commissioner Agency Policy, Education and Training, Jeff Gill; General Counsel, Randy Gillespie; Chief Financial Officer, Nate Klinck; Director of Policy, Michelle Marshel; Deputy Commissioner Communications, Brenda Summers; Director Government Affairs Liaison, Dennis Wimer; Deputy Commissioner Field Operations

Absent: David Entzian, Pete Kissinger, Rep. Chuck Moseley, Paul Perkins, Doug Poe, Dennis Rohrs, Sen. Tim Skinner, Steve Slagle, Rep. Randy Truitt, Sen. Brent Waltz, Debra Williams

I. Call to Order and Roll

Mr. Goldman called the meeting to order at 10am and recognized a quorum was present. He introduced Andrew Kossack, Education and Workforce Policy Director for the Office of Governor Mike Pence and Trish Whitcomb, Special Advisor to the Superintendent, Indiana Department of Education.

II. Approval of Minutes for the SWIC Meeting on December 20, 2012

Mr. Goldman entertained a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the December meeting. Mr. Padgett motioned for approval and Mr. Maassel seconded the motion, motion approved.
http://www.in.gov/dwd/files/SWIC_122012_min.pdf

III. Commissioner's Update

Commissioner Sanders began his update discussion with recapping his visit to Region 1. They were hosting a work summit where 300 people attended. The attendees consisted mainly of the manufacturing sector and the employers had three main concerns: show up on time, stay off drugs and stay off the cell phone. He told one story of a family owned business located in Gary, IN who partnered with WorkOne to create its own training program. The employer stated many times that he believed in the people and wanted to train his employees the best way that he saw fit for his company. He discussed his Washington DC trip and stated that Indiana has a number of representatives on the House Education Committee that will hopefully work to better the Hoosier state and streamline the funding.

Commissioner Sanders discussed sequestration and the impact it will have on Unemployment Insurance. He stated they were on a call with DOL yesterday afternoon receiving updates on what could happen, and that Randy Gillespie will provide an update to the SWIC later in the meeting.

The unemployment rate for January was 8.6% and 8,200 private sector jobs were added. Commissioner Sanders then handed out a working document of the customer flow model. He discussed the chart showing that the WorkOne clientele consists of employed and unemployed; how many customers have walked through the doors of a WorkOne, and how the WorkOne system has served them. The ultimate goal of the document is to determine if at the end of process, did WorkOne customers become reemployed. He addressed the lag factor in data that is caused because employers are only required to submit their wage data a month after the employment began. Mr. Stanczykiewicz suggested that Commissioner Sanders create a customer flow document for the youth so that the SWIC can assess how many youth are being successfully served.

IV. State Board Business

A. Review of Regional Performance and Budget Update

Mr. Gillespie provided the members with a performance report and budget update. He began his discussion with an update on sequestration with information he recently obtained from a conference call with DOL. He stated all the information was hypothetical and he would continue to update everyone with information as he receives it. He stated that in the beginning, he had projected a 7-9% decrease of the WIB's funding. He discussed the decreases with the three different pots of money that go towards Youth, Adult and Dislocated funds. As of April 1st, 5% of Youth dollars will be held back statewide. Adult and Dislocated Worker funding will take its cuts at the beginning of the next fiscal year. Mr. Gillespie explained that this is one scenario that DWD has received from DOL, and that another scenario involved an increase in funding based on Indiana's unemployment rate for 2012. Indiana's unemployment rate was higher in early 2012 which hypothetically could result in an increase of \$3.2 million statewide. This scenario would result in an increase in Youth and Adult funding but a slight decrease in Dislocated Worker funding. He stated he will be attending a conference call after his update to receive more information regarding this issue.

Mr. Gillespie then gave an update on the PY2013 budget and performance report.

B. Legislative Report

Ms. Summers updated the members on the bill DWD is currently monitoring. She directed the members to the one-page handout that explains each bill in more detail. She discussed the details of HB1457 which requires claimants to physically come into a WorkOne on their 4th week of unemployment benefits. Ms. Dowd stressed that these people will be added to our flow chart as they come into the WorkOne needing employment services.

C. Update on WIB Transitions for Regions 5, 8, 9 and 11

Mr. Wimer gave an update on the regions transition to local workforce investment boards. As of July 1st, DWD anticipates that these regions will be up and running as full WIBs. DWD is working with the regions closely to have this transition complete smoothly.

D. Discussion of Requirements for Local WIA Plans for Program Year 2013

Mr. Klinck discussed the requirements for the local plans. Updated guidance has been issued to the WIBs regarding their PY2013 local plan requirements. DWD and the SWIC Executive Committee discussed options for the plans in consideration to the four regions that are transitioning from RWBs

to WIB's and recent legislation that could possibly have an effect on these. Mr. Klinck stated that DWD's recommendation this year is to keep it simple, and the SWIC can ask the WIBs at any time to update their plan. He discussed two options to establish a plan and stated the plans will be due May 24, 2013. The plans will be approved at the June 13, 2013 meeting. Commissioner Sanders commended Mr. Klinck for his work with the 50 state comparisons he recently completed which Mr. Sanders took with him to DC.

Mr. Klinck entertained a motion to approve the requirements, Mr. Maassel motioned for approval and Ms. Pinkstaff seconded the motion, motion approved.

E. Committee Reports

Ms. Dowd led the discussion regarding an update on the Educational Review Committee. She stated that the committee wants to align the Adult Ed and CTE plans as much as they can. She discussed the performance-based funding model and stated that providers who are not performing as well will not receive as many funds in the coming year. The ERC will have applications out and vote on approvals next month.

She also stated the ERC is currently reviewing the options for the high school equivalency certification, currently the GED in Indiana. The SWIC, and the ERC, will determine the best path for Indiana to follow. She discussed the cost differentiation between online versus paper and pencil assessments, and ensured the SWIC that the standards for the high school equivalency assessment will be aligned with common core.

Mr. Padgett gave an update on the Career and Technical Schools Accreditation Committee. He stated the transition of duties from COPE to DWD and the SWIC went very well and gave credit to Terri Banks for streamlining the process. He discussed the two complaints that were recently adjudicated and stated those had been resolved. Their next meeting will be April 18th.

Mr. Padgett also provided an update on the Grants Committee. He stated there is no discretionary money available, but at the last meeting, the committee discussed a change in the policy language as there is a 30 day window to notify the regions when we receive the funds. He stressed the difficulty of a quorum and this 30 day window.

Mr. Stanczykiewicz gave an update on the Youth Committee and highlighted the importance of JAG. He discussed the background of JAG for the new members and stated they currently have 2,900 students enrolled and hope to double that with the \$12m in funding they anticipate receiving for next year.

V. Adjournment

Mr. Goldman adjourned the meeting at 1:15pm.