

Governor's Workforce Cabinet

Thursday, June 17, 2021

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MEETING MINUTES

Present: Representative Behning, Jenà Bellezza, Amy Brown, Rob Carter, Maurice Coates Jr, Sue Ellspermann, Jody French, Megan Glover, Anne Hazlett, Joyce Irwin, Dr. Chuck Johnson, Dr. Katie Jenner, Mark Kara, Teresa Lubbers, Fred Payne, Paul Perkins, Senator Raatz, Dr. Jennifer Sullivan, Rebecca Schroeder, and Tony Vespa.

Absent: Dr. Ronald Rochon

Welcome and Call to Order - Chair Teresa Lubbers

- a. Meeting called to order at 10:00am ET.

II. Roll Call of Cabinet Members

- a. P.J. McGrew called the roll for Workforce Cabinet members; a quorum was present.

III. Approval of Minutes and Bylaws

- a. Sue Ellspermann motioned to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Jenà Bellezza seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously by voice vote.

IV. Reports

- a. Chair's Report (Teresa Lubbers)
- b. Executive Director's Report (P.J. McGrew)

V. New Business

a. FSSA Update

- i. FSSA Secretary Dr. Jennifer Sullivan provided the Cabinet an update on a variety of activity through FSSA programs that affect Indiana's workforce. This included an update on many of the changes that have taken place as a result of the pandemic. Several Cabinet members thanked Secretary Sullivan for the information shared and the important work that has gone into supporting Hoosiers throughout the pandemic.

b. YourNextStepIN and Communications Plan

- i. Francesca Brady and Joel Cooper from Vox Global provided a final report to the Cabinet on the YourNextStepIN.org website and the associated marketing campaign that took place from November 2020-June 2021. Cabinet members also received a preview on work that Vox will be doing in the coming months to gain a better understanding of how Hoosiers are currently viewing postsecondary education/training and possible strategies

to encourage more individuals to pursue postsecondary education/training beyond high school.

c. Perry Central Work-Based Learning Programs

- i. Cabinet member Jody French, principal of Perry Central Jr./Sr. High School, gave the Cabinet an overview of existing work-based learning programs that are offered at Perry Central. This included an overview of one of their State Earn and Learn Programs through the Office of Work-Based Learning and Apprenticeship and a registered apprenticeship program with the U.S. Department of Labor. President Ellspermann thanked Principal French for her presentation and reiterated that the high-quality experiences offered at a small school like Perry Central show that the Cabinet needs to continue encouraging all types of schools to offer these opportunities for students.

d. CTE Update

- i. PJ provided a brief update regarding the upcoming Certified Local Needs Assessment process. This is something that each CTE district will be completing during the fall months in advance of January submission. The process has been updated from prior years and district's will be receiving additional information later in the summer.

VI. Old Business

- a. There was no old business to discuss.

VII. Adjournment

- a. Commissioner Lubbers asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Payne made a motion, it was seconded by Mark Kara.
- b. The meeting adjourned at 12:05 ET.