

EOWB Minutes

Tuesday, October 13, 2020 10 AM – 12 Noon (PDT)

Video Conference

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/455195619> **Call:** 1 -669-900-6833 US (San Jose)

Board Member: (X denotes presence)

X	Susie Cederholm, Chair	X	Kathy Gover-Shaw, Vice Chair
X	Sheryll Bates, Secretary		

X	Kalie Davis	X	Jeff Gritz, OR-S ID Dist. Council of Laborers
	Doug Dalton	X	Brian Lemke, NW Carpenter’s Union
	Rich Fulton	X	Jon Irvine, Oregon AFLCIO
X	Terri Hellbusch		
	Riley Hill	X	Dana Young, TVCC President
X	Patrick Patterson	X	Dennis Bailey-Fougner, BMCC President
X	Jesse Schmidt	X	Bambi Bevill, VR
X	William Wylie	X	Tara Morrell, EO Area Manager OED

Guests Present: Eric LaBonte, TEC Chris Rich OED Jennifer Pambrun, IMESD
 Dave Koehler, TVCC Andrea Rogers, OVR David Melville, GO STEM

EOWB Staff Present: Bill Rosholt, Executive Director Sheri McDonald, Controller
 Erin Carpenter, Projects Coordinator Brenda Frank, Grants & Contracts

Meeting Called to Order: 10:01AM

- Introductions

Approve Draft Agenda

- **Motion to Approve Agenda** – Dennis Bailey-Fougner
Second to Motion by – Jeff Gritz
Motion Carries with Voice Vote, 0-Nays

Financial/Audit Report – Sheri McDonald

Audit – No Findings
 Financial Statements through August of 2020 Expenses appear to be within normal range
 No questions at this time.

Adoption of Consent Agenda

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- Revised Youth Services Policy P-006
- Director’s Report, October 2020
- Financial Report

Motion to Adopt Consent Agenda made by Sheryll Bates

Second to the Motion by Kalie Davis

Motion Carries by Voice Vote, 0-Nays

Training & Employment Consortium Report - Eric Labonte

WIOA Services PY20 1st Qtr. - Power Point Presentation distributed to EOWB members and Partners

- Adult/DW Worker Program – Overall major decreases in Adult/DW Program participants
 - Recruitment and outreach efforts are approached proactively to increase community exposure
 - › TEC established a toll-free line in August to assist customers needing TEC services
 - Business partnerships established for OJT openings and identifying jobs and talent needs
 - Trainings are a Sector Strategy approach and focused training/job search efforts in growing occupations, i.e. CDL, Nursing, Healthcare professions, business management, social work, etc.
- Youth Program – Overall Decrease in Youth Program Participants
 - Training, internships, and work experiences have become limited due to hiring freezes a layoff in part to the health guidelines for essential businesses
 - Partnerships with educational institutions are critical for youth outreach and services
 - Recent hires, two new WIOA Youth Work Experience Coordinators to assist in recruiting youth and creating Work Experience opportunities

Oregon Employment Department Report – Tara Morrell

- As an Agency still focused on UI, serving those who have been waiting the longest.
- EO OED Teams focus on PUA since July 2020
- With TEC providing the Toll-Free Number OED can address the local need of customers
- Will be refocusing and planning employment efforts: strategic plans to move staff back to labor exchange services. Re-engagement with employers and hiring. Exploring virtual support for job seekers. State Agency offices remain closed through December 31, 2020.
- OED staff, in the future, will be working either UI or employment services at the local level.
- Working with partners of the Local Leadership Team to work through the issues of reopening. It may be in phases.

Sector Strategies – Erin Carpenter

SE Healthcare Sector: The SE Or Healthcare Partnership has gotten off to a good start. Two priorities have been identified: Housing and Recruitment/Retention. Two others have been put on the table for consideration at a later time: Medicaid/Medicare billing and Transportation.

SE Manufacturing Sector: The Southeast Oregon Manufacturing Partnership that was scheduled to convene back in March was rescheduled to take place via videoconference, but seems to have lost its momentum and our approach to engaging this sector is being reconsidered.

One Stop Operator (Worksource) – Erin Carpenter

- Our Local Leadership Team has been meeting monthly focusing on improving service delivery among WorkSource partners. The LLT has also created two subcommittees:

- Communication between partners and increasing referrals added last month
- Business Services added this month to work on implementing a collaborative business services model across eastern Oregon.
- The Area Operations Team (the co-housed WorkSource partners) is working on a plan to reopen the centers with the primary focus being on safety. A safety Committee has been formed and will begin meeting regularly this month.
- Local Library Partnerships: WorkSource is partnering with area libraries to increase access for our customers beyond the WSO centers. Work began with the Ontario library to develop a good model. Conversations with other libraries are underway in the other cities. Because one of our primary goals is to increase rural access, we are hoping to develop these partnerships and place these laptop kiosks in locations that don't have WorkSource Centers, like Milton-Freewater, Elgin, Boardman, North Powder, Enterprise, etc.

NE Oregon Regional Economist – Chris Rich

Power Point Presentation: COVID-! Employment Loss & Unrealized Seasonal Gains. PP presentation sent out to Board.

Public Comment: There were no Public Comments offered.

Adjourn:

Approved January 12, 2021 EOWB Regular Meeting