



## USER GROUP

### Minutes

Wednesday, July 22, 2015

### Webinar Meeting

**Members Present:** Rebecca Freund (01); Bruce Wantuch (02); Anita Gorham (03); Al Hesse (04); Debbie Kelly (05); Joleen Prentice (07); Richard Price (08); Julie Mitchell (9) Tia Rice (10)

**Excused Members:** None

**Other Local Staff Present:** Renee Kemp, Cheryl Wroblewski, (03); Ed Hudson, Merry Lienau (08); Amy Scarborough (09); Michael Spaluka (10); Matthew Riley (11)

**DWD Staff Present:** Theresa Loerke; Scott Fromader; David Arb; Cathy Sills; Jackie Summerton; Karen Pfeil, Joseph Bauer

**WWDA Coordinator:** Not present

#### Call to Order:

- Anita Gorham called the meeting to order at 0933.

#### Review & Approve AUG Minutes from Jun 24, 2015:

- Joleen Prentice made a motion to approve the AUG minutes as presented, Debbie Kelly seconded that motion.
- **Motion carried unanimously.**

#### WWDA Report to AUG:

- Not present

#### WIOA Youth and AP/DW webinars

- Scott Fromader led the discussion. He advised the group that a new (revised) Youth TEGL is due out in August.
- Copies of the PowerPoint presentations from 7/20 and 7/21 have been sent out (very helpful given the technical problems experienced during the second webinar). Questions from the webinars are being researched. If anyone has additional questions to ask, please route them to your LPL.

#### PY15 WIOA Waivers

- AL Hesse asked the group if anyone was planning on submitting requests for anything that wasn't going to be asked for by the state – no responses at this time. He asked if a WDA does plan on requesting a waiver, that they share it with the group. DWD cut-off date is 15 Aug.

## **Other Business**

- Jackie Summerton updated the group on a Webl training project. DWD is looking at different levels of training. Anita suggested that a poll should be taken to better determine what's lacking. Jackie concurred and asked that results be forwarded to them for possible inclusion. The project is temporarily put on hold until Webl software upgrade is complete (expected in Aug).
- Richard Price asked for an update regarding participants not being exited because they are doing job searches in JCW (Job Center of Wisconsin). Jackie responded that DWD is still waiting on clarification from DoL; however, it appears that DoL doesn't intend for this 'practice' to continue. Richard followed up with a concern regarding the 30+ participants that are currently in this status and the potential impact to performance. DWD will monitor the impact as discussed during the June meeting.
- Richard had a question regarding 'priority of service' for the AP program. Theresa Loerke stated that an individual who is not a vet or having at least one of the three barriers can still be served. The thresholds for 'priority of service' are NOT for eligibility determination.
- Richard had a follow-up question regarding funding and 'priority of service'. Theresa asked that the question be directed to DWD staff via email so they can better research the question and provide guidance.
- Richard presented a final question regarding the definition of "other low income individuals". A brief discussion ensued. Scott reminded the group that there are differences between the Adult and Youth programs in their respective definitions. Richard inquired about local policies that add more requirements (e.g. 200% poverty) to become eligible. Scott advised that this was currently being researched.

## **ASSET Update – Contract Conversion Q&A:**

- Cathy Sill advised the group that updates to ASSET are due out on 7/30.
- Most (if not all) of the updates are to align ASSET with WIOA requirements; a technical bulletin will be sent out in advance.

## **Recommended AUG Highlights for WWDA:**

- JCW prevention of exits issue moving forward
- WIOA webinars held the past two days; expecting further guidance as a result of questions
- New (revised) Youth TEGE expected in Aug

## **Adjourn:**

- Motion was made by AL (04) to adjourn the June 24, 2015 AUG meeting at 1012. Joleen seconded that motion.
- **Motion carried unanimously.**

Next ASSET User Group meeting: Wednesday, Aug 26th, 2015 – Minute Taker: Debbie Kelly (05)

Minutes submitted by AL Hesse (04)