



USER GROUP

Minutes

Wednesday, September 23, 2015

Webinar Meeting

Members Present: Bruce Wantuch (02); Suzanne Reinstein (02); Anita Gorham (03); Al Hesse (04); Debbie Kelly (05); Jane Spencer (06); Joleen Prentice (07); Richard Price (08); Tia Rice (10); Jimmy Watson (11)

Excused Members: Rebecca Freund (01); Julie Mitchell (09)

Other Local Staff Present: Kris Whaley (01); Ricardo Ybarra (02); Paul Wechter (02); Toni White (02); Chamia Gary (02); Renee Kemp (03); Cheryl Wroblewski (03); Merry Lienau (08); Amy Scarborough (09); Michael Stluka (10); Matt Riley (11)

DWD Staff Present: Scott Fromader; Jackie Summerton; Dave Arb; Bryan Huebsch

Call to Order

Anita Gorham called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

Membership Updates

Anita announced the retirement of Bruce Wantuch. His replacement will be Suzanne Reinstein. A new membership list has been sent to all members.

Review & Approve AUG Minutes from August 26, 2015

Joleen mentioned that she should be listed on the minutes as being excused since she did inform Anita of her absence. Joleen also pointed out that the first bullet under new WIOA Youth fields should read Manage Programs, not Manage Customer changes. Tia pointed out that Michael's last name should be spelled, Stluka. Joleen made a motion to approve the August 26 minutes with the revisions, Bruce seconded.

WWDA Report to AUG

Joel Nilsestuen was not present.

ASSET Updates

Jackie Summerton read the following message from Cathy Sill:

National Dislocated Worker Grant (NDG) will be added to the Funding Sources available for Dislocated Worker services. WIOA is replacing National Emergency Grants (NEG) with the National Dislocated Worker Grant (NDG). The new funding source should appear tomorrow in ASSET (a technical bulletin will go out when added); however, no grants have yet been awarded under this funding source, so the Grant IDs dropdown under this funding source will be blank until the grants have been awarded.

Web Updates/Future Training

Jackie Summerton reported that the Business Objects team has money set aside for an in depth training to be held later this program year. Until then, Bryan Huebsch and Jackie are planning a training in late October. Bryan and Jackie's training will be held in the GEF 1 computer lab and by webinar. This less in depth training is being planned for a basic overview of the new WebI, and for the people who are designing their own reports. This training will first be offered to AUG. Jackie will be sending out a survey to see who should be included since the computer lab holds approximately 20 people. It was suggested to consider October 28th since we already have the AUG meeting in our calendars.

WIA Performance Discussion

Bryan Huebsch discussed the discrepancy found in the final federal report for Lit/Num measure. Bryan is still researching the issue with the help of Jackie Summerton. The discrepancy issue so far is showing up when ABE assessment scores recorded in Manage Assessment do not match the BSD option in Manage Programs in ASSET. The file then gets rejected in the federal report. Jackie has created a report that will go out to the WDAs with instructions to correct. More information will be available when the federal report is returned. Richard noted that the state's reports did not accurately reflect who was in the Literacy/Numeracy measure, and as a result, a handful of participants did not get tested. As a result, some WDA's experienced a change from Exceed to Meet for this measure. Because the state's data was incorrect, and because there was no opportunity for clean-up, Richard asked if they would consider using the previously published results. Bryan acknowledged the concern, but had no comment on the issue. Bryan reported that the Adult and Dislocated Worker reports were 100% accurate. Overall, performance in Wisconsin is excellent-the best it has been in the last four years. Bryan acknowledged the good work being done in the field.

Bryan also reported that he will provide training on WIOA performance in early November. The training will be based on the proposed rules and delivered via webinar.

Other Business

No other business noted.

Recommended AUG Highlights for WWDA

- AUG is asking the State for feedback on the impact of the Lit/Num discrepancy discovery after the final report had already been submitted. Because the state's data was incorrect, and because there was no opportunity for clean-up, AUG is asking that they consider using the previously published results.
- WIA performance is the best it has been in the last four years
- Under WIOA, National Emergency Grant (NEG) is changing to National Dislocated Worker Grants (NDG). The changes will be implemented into ASSET on 9/24/15.
- DWD will provide trainings on WebI and WIOA performance starting this fall

Adjourn

A motion was made by AL to adjourn; seconded by Jane. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes submitted by Jane Spencer (06)