

LWIA 23 QUARTERLY CEO MEETING MINUTES

Monday, March 17, 2025

at

CEFS – 1805 S Banker, Effingham

Chair: Jim Brewer

Vice Chair: Jeff Voigt

Attendance:

In Person: Jim Bolin, Jim Brewer, Tim Wenthe, Bill Burke, Dennis Graves, Nancy Purdy, Debbie Smith, Jason Warfel

Virtual: Josh Douthit, Ashley Towler, Josh Roe

Absent: Jeff Voigt, Cory Hodges

Others Present: Kevin Bushur, Kelly Denton, Dawn Bennett, Cindy Mayer

Welcome – Call to Order:

Chair Brewer called the meeting to order at 6:51pm. Roll call read by Cindy Mayer. Quorum present.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Minutes for the December 16, 2024, CEO meeting were approved as is. Nancy Purdy made the motion to approve to minutes and Tim Wenthe seconded. Motion carried.

Conflict of Disclosure:

Chair Brewer asked for any conflicts of interest. There were none reported.

Signatory Authority Update:

Cindy Mayer reported the CEFS CEO, Kevin Bushur, signed for 3 grants: PY 23 Formula Grant, PY 24 Supplemental Grant, and the PY 24 Formula Grant. These grants were discussed and approved at the Board Meeting.

Board Attendance Report:

Cindy Mayer pointed out the attendance report was in the meeting packet and asked the CEOs to take notes of members that are not attending regularly and to reach out to them or find replacements. Cindy also discussed the number of board members whose terms expire in September and requested the board members to reach out to those who have not reached their limit to see if they will stay on and to recruit new members as there are 2 that have reached their limit and will need replaced.

Fiscal Agent Transition Update:

Cindy Mayer reported that the LWIB staff and management team continue meeting with Bryan Ellis on a bi-weekly basis and during these meetings received training from KEB (DCEO's contractual trainer). Cindy reported Tony Logue completed the program monitoring and trained Cindy on the

monitoring process. Also, The One Stop Operator agreement will be extended for 1 year as discussed in the board meeting. Dawn Bennett and Cindy Mayer are currently taking the TPM training and this Friday, the EO Deputy Director from DCEO will be coming to train Dawn on the EO ADA requirements and monitoring.

Approval of 2025 MOU:

As discussed in the board meeting, this was tabled. No action taken.

Old Business/New Business:

None

Public Comment:

None

Closing Remarks:

Jim Bolin inquired about the funding with the new administration. Kevin Bushur explained at this time, with the continuing resolution, funding is ok. In July we will get new funding but the amount is unknown and further explained that even if the state gets less, we could see more as it is based on certain demographics. Kevin further shared WIOA needs to be reauthorized and not sure if that will get done but as long as the program keeps getting money, the reauthorization is not a concern.

Tim Wente inquired about the wage increase for disabled. Cindy shared Carolynne Jorgenson reported in an earlier committee member that it has passed the house and that it is about 4 years out before taking full effect. Cindy explained she did not know all the details other than what was shared by Carolynne.

Motion to Adjourn:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm. Bill Burke made the motion to adjourn, and it was seconded by Jim Bolin. Motion carried.