

**Workforce Development Council
Board Meeting Minutes
Omak, WA September 9, 2015**

Debi Clark called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Directors Report

July 1 began the first year of a two year transition from “old Title I” of the Workforce Investment Act authorized in 1998 to “new Title I” authorized by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. This transition comes with some changes such as new One Stop agreements and Regions. Local Areas must be in a region, either a single area region or a multi area region. Olympia has proposed that North Central be in a four area region with Benton-Franklin, South Central, and the Eastern Nine. Local Elected Officials favor single area regions because preparing a multi Area Regional Plan and Sector Partnerships will cost more.

The Auditors have finished their onsite work for last year. Their examination has gone smoothly and they’ve reported no findings or exceptions. CliftenLarsonAllen will present their audit to the Board next meeting.

June 16 Board Meeting Minutes

Jim Woods moved and Marcia Henkle seconded to approve the June 16, 2015 meeting minutes. Motion passed.

Roni reported on the economic impact the fires had on Okanogan County. FEMA has to yet to approve public assistance. Public assistance is where State and Local Governments are reimbursed 75-90% from the Federal Government for property that was damaged or destroyed. Individual assistance is for private property owners. . The State will apply and include all the areas affected by the fires. The State Department of Fish and Wildlife reported over 1,000 miles of rangeland fencing was destroyed in Okanogan County. A US Dept of Labor grant can pay dislocated and long-term unemployed workers to perform those repairs. We are looking into partnering with Department of Fish and Wildlife and working on projects in Okanogan and northern Chelan Counties.

15-16 Budget Modifications:

A \$400,000 two-year National Emergency Grant (NEG) to serve dislocated workers was received of which \$260,000 was added to PY 15-16 budgets. Final funding amounts were received and carry-in funds were adjusted to actual.

Okanogan 15-16 budget proposal reflected a \$62,000 (11%) increase in budgeted expenses.

Duane Johnson moved and Roni Holder-Diefenbach seconded approval of the Okanogan 15-16 Budget Modification. Motion Passed. Marcia Henkle abstained.

Grant/Adams 15-16 budget proposal reflected an \$80,000 (6%) increase in budgeted expenses.

Wayne Johnson moved and Teri Leas seconded approval of the Grant/Adams 15-16 Budget Modification. Motion Passed.

Chelan/Douglas 15-16 budget proposal reflected a \$68,000 6% increase in budgeted expenses.

Jim Woods moved and Jim Richardson seconded approval of the Chelan/Douglas 15-16 Budget Modification. Motion Passed.

Executive 15-16 proposed budget modification decreases expenses by \$48,000 (6%).

**Tom Boyd moved and Teri Leas seconded approval of the PY 15-16 Executive Budget Modification.
Motion Passed.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Members Present:

Tom Boyd
Debi Clark
Marcia Henkle
Roni Holder-Diefenbach
Duane Johnson
Ken Johnson
Wayne Johnson
Terry Leas
Heidi Myers
Jim Richardson
Lavonne Roy
James Wood

Members Absent:

Mike Bolander
John Butler
Oscar Garza
Polo Garza
Rich McBride
Peggy Vines
Danny Robins
Irasema Ortiz-Elizalde
Jonathan Smith
Dimitri Mandelis
Theresa Martinez
Michelle Price

Staff Present:

Dave Petersen
Lisa Romine
Laura Leavitt
Mary Hinger