

North Central Workforce Development Board
Board Meeting Minutes
July 21, 2020
Via Web Video Conference
Moses Lake, Wenatchee & Omak, plus other locations

Ken Johnson, chair, called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. He thanked everyone for attending.

Director's Report:

Board meetings will be conducted virtually until further notice. The COVID-19 shutdown has greatly impacted service delivery but staff are adapting to virtual delivery. SkillSource will put out RFPs for the One-Stop Operator for Moses Lake and Omak in the fall. The planning retreat is tentatively rescheduled for next spring.

March 24, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes

Terry Leas moved and Michelle Price seconded to approve the minutes from the March 24 meeting with the date corrected. The motion carried.

Committee Reports

Okanogan: Dave explained that while state budget cuts may be forthcoming, the 2020-21 budget will increase by 15%, including a contracted One-Stop Operator.

Roni Holder-Diefenbach moved and Crystal Gage seconded to approve the 2020-21 Okanogan budget as proposed. Motion carried.

Grant/Adams: Lisa summarized that the Grant-Adams service delivery budget will increase by 9%, mostly because of COVID-related Dislocated Worker grant awards. \$85K will include a contracted One-Stop Operator and a contracted part-time Youth and Othello Manager from OIC to replace the retiring Yolanda Rios.

Terry Leas moved and Stephen McFadden seconded to approve the 2020-21 Grant/Adams budget as proposed. Motion carried.

Chelan/Douglas: Lisa summarized the Chelan-Douglas service delivery budget. There will be a 12% increase including national dislocated worker grants and expanded work readiness activities. However, funds from pre-employment transition services work experiences were cut due to COVID-19. Dave added that the Chelan-Douglas success story was due to the excellent High School 21+ partnership program between WVC and SkillSource.

Jim Richardson moved and Michelle Price seconded to approve the 2020-21 Chelan/Douglas budget as proposed. Motion carried.

Executive Committee: Dave summarized the executive budget, which is largely the same as last year. The One-Stop Operator cost is moved from the executive budget to the Okanogan and Grant/Adams service delivery budgets. Dmitri Mandelis asked if benefits are net to employer and employee; Dave confirmed that they are. He also explained the circumstances under which

employee family members may be covered. Contracted service delivery decreases from \$447K in 2019-20 to \$310K in 2020-21.

Roni Holder-Diefenbach moved and Dmitri Mandelis seconded to approve the 2020-21 executive budget as proposed. Motion carried.

Announcements:

Michelle Price offered congratulations to Yolanda Rios (Grant-Adams youth manager) on her retirement and her many years of service.

Jim Richardson offered congratulations to Terry Leas on his retirement and his years of service to the Grant/Adams community and the board.

Lisa drew the board's attention to the board packet which included Aaron's presentation on COVID-19's impact on the workforce, the success stories and performance reports, the staff org charts, and the meeting calendar.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 pm.

Present:

Decorah Anderson
Crystal Gage
Roni Holder-Diefenbach
Alberto Isiordia
Ken Johnson
Terry Leas
Dimitri Mandelis
Stephen McFadden
Michelle Price
Jim Richardson
Karl Ruether
Pablo Villareal

Not Present:

John Butler
Tad Hildebrand
Brant Mayo
Heidi Myers
Irasema Ortiz-Elizalde
Danny Robbins
Lavonne Roy
Teresa Stokes
Peggy Vines

Staff Present:

Dave Petersen
Lisa Romine
Laura Leavitt
Aaron Parrott
Susan Adams
Emily Anderson
Mary Hinger