



Policy Committee

December 2, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

- ◆ Lynn Shock

Agenda Items

- ◆ Board Resolution #12-02-2009-03: Policy Committee minutes from the 10/07/09 meeting

Motion to approve minutes: Roxane Somerlot

Second: Beth Tsvetkoff

All approved; motion passed.

- ◆ **P7-509: Suitability for WIA Services**

ODJFS says that “family self-sufficiency” needs to be addressed in the Suitability Policy. We will reference it in the next revision. The State also said that Youth should not be included in the Adult and Dislocated Workers Suitability policy. If Youth have a severe disability, then WIA is not suitable for them. We can revise it and remove “youth” from the intensive service section, and make an amendment on the consent agenda. A public comment was made about “unsuitable customers”. That person had problem with the phrase “severe and basic skills deficiencies” and “dependent care” issues. The policy does address those concerns when read in its entirety.

Motion to remove “for youth program” from suitable for intensive services: Lynn Shock

Second: Roxane Somerlot

All approved; motion passed.

- ◆ **P7-701: Glossary of Terms:**

The definition for public official was added to the glossary. There was a public comment to the “demand occupation” section. The commenter wanted the ability to use something other than the Bureau of Labor Statistics. It was suggested to add “or other credible source as determined by the sub-grantee”. There was also a suggestion to add “layoff aversion” to the policy at a later date.

Motion to approve revised policy: John Bridenbaugh

Second: Beth Tsvetkoff

All approved; motion passed.

- ◆ **ITA/Pell coordination:**

John Weber, ODJFS, released a memo about coordinating WIA funds, Pell grants, and avoiding duplicate payments. The committee may need to revisit the ITA policy regarding the use of Pell grants when providing WIA funds. In the meantime, counties need to follow the Area 7 policy.

- ✓ Action Item: Work on ITA policy for February meeting. Will keep considering the Pell when applying for WIA.

- ◆ **Bylaws:**

The Area 7 bylaws stated that a quorum of 40% of the Board members is needed to take a vote. The Board consists of business people and state mandated members; such as HUD, Job Corps, Labor, and ODJFS. The business members are more consistent in attendance.

- ✓ Action Item: The committee will consider revising the requirement for a quorum. It was suggested to change it to a majority of the business members.

- ◆ **One-Stop Enhancement program:**

ODJFS received money to give to WIBs (\$). There was discussion about how to distribute the funds within the systems. These funds will have restrictions for spending, but will not have WIA restrictions.

- ◆ **Wait-List Reduction funds:**

The State has \$10M-12M of unspent Rapid Response (RR) dollars to push out to WIBs. If stimulus RR money is spent, it will be subject to 1512 reporting requirements.

Motion to adjourn: Beth Tsvetkoff

Second: Roxane Somerlot

All approved; motion passed.