

Workforce Development Board of Western Missouri, Inc.
Executive Committee Minutes
June 24, 2020

The Executive Committee of the Workforce Development Board of Western Missouri, Inc. met at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 via teleconference.

Executive Committee members present were Chris Connell, Cosslett Moore, Tommy Hampton, Randy Lee, Laura Wallen, Kim Kendrick and Gabe Jones. WDB staff present was Missy Eidson.

It was determined quorum was present.

Mr. Chris Connell called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Gabe Jones made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Cosslett Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Connell asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the April 22, 2020 and the May 11, 2020 Executive Committee meetings. Mr. Cosslett Moore made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Randy Lee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Clinton Job Center Update: The closure of the Clinton Job Center is completed. All items were sold during the online auction and were picked up the following week after the sale. Tonja Hooton coordinated the entire project seamlessly. The utilities have been transferred to the landlord.

July 1 – Subrecipient: Odle Management Group will begin their contracts with the West Central Region beginning July 1, 2020. They have held a virtual meeting with the job center staff and are working with them to get them onboard by July 1. The WDB is currently working on the contracts to be sent to them and will be implementing a quarterly report card similar to what the Office of Workforce Development has done.

Firewall and Conflict of Interest Training: Wipfli conducted a three-part training concerning firewall and conflict of interest. Three WDB staff attended the trainings and were disappointed once completed. Other regions in the state have expressed the same opinion.

Dislocated Worker Return Strong Funds: \$100,000 were passed on to the West Central Region from OWD on May 22, 2020 as part of the Return Strong Campaign. The project period is May 26, 2020 through June 30, 2020 and are to be used for Individualized Training Accounts only. The region has been making calls to UI claimants, posted notices on social media and participated in a call with State Fair Community College in order to gain information on their short term trainings available. Interest has not been generated and the region has obligated \$0 of these funds that end next week. The UI claimants have either been called back to work, aren't interested or do not return the calls when messages are left. The committee anticipated there may be more demand for this once the Pandemic Unemployment Insurance Compensation Program ends in July.

Job Centers Reopening: Tentative dates and processes were discussed regarding the re-opening of the Sedalia and Nevada Job Centers.

Virtual Board Meetings: A discussion was held regarding the benefits of virtual board meetings. A significant cost savings would be a result and potentially better attendance. It was decided all future board meetings will be held virtually in the West Central Region.

Budget Line Item Adjustments: Mr. Tommy Hampton made a motion to approve the line item adjustments as presented. Mr. Gabe Jones seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Miscellaneous: Mr. Cosslett Moore gave an update on the CLEO Update meeting with OWD he attended virtually on June 23, 2020.

Mr. Chris Connell asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Cosslett Moore made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Gabe Jones seconded the motion. The motion carried.