

KWIB Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2014

Energy and Environment Cabinet
Department of Environmental Protection
Frankfort, Kentucky

Members Present

Comm. Beth Brinly, Rick Christman, Rep. Larry Clark, James Cole, Judge Joe Grieshop, Hugh Haydon, Hollie Spade for Sec. Larry Hayes, Sen. Jimmy Higdon, Sandra Higgins-Stinson, Dr. Dale Winkler for Dr. Terry Holliday, Edward Holmes, Sharon Johnston, Srinu Matam, Dr. Jay Box for Dr. Michael McCall, Dr. Lara Needham, James Neihof, Kelly Nuckols, Scott Pierce, Sec. Larry Roberts, Daryl Smith, Sec. Bob Stewart, Col. David Thompson, Scott Gregory for Tom Volta, Richard Wilson and Sec. Tom Zawacki.

Staff Present

Beth Kuhn, Melissa Aguillar, Wanda Samuels, Holly Neal

CALL TO ORDER

Ed Holmes, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:30pm

Chair Holmes introduced new Director Melissa Aguillar, thanked Beth Kuhn for serving as interim Director.

Representative Clark administered the Oath of Office for new KWIB member Shirie Hawkins.

ACTIONS

A motion was made by Hugh Haydon and seconded by Senator Higdon to approve the February 27, 2014 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Work Ready Communities

Dr. Dale Winkler, Member, Work Ready Review Panel reported that the panel met on March 12, 2014 and again on April 10, 2014 to review three Work Ready Communities applications. The panel is recommending the certification of two counties as Kentucky Work Ready Communities and one as a Kentucky Work Ready Community in Progress.

A resolution in the form of a motion was presented by Dr. Dale Winkler and seconded by Rep. Clark to certify Clark and Rowan Counties Kentucky Work Ready Communities and Henry County as Kentucky Work Ready Community in Progress. Motion carried.

After the motion passed, those representing Clark, Rowan and Henry Counties were welcomed forward to receive their certificate and signage and have a photo taken of the representatives in attendance.

STRATEGIC PLAN ITEMS:

Kentucky Career Center Certification

A recommendation was read by Commissioner Beth Brinly. Kelly Nuckols made the motion and Richard Wilson seconded to extend the Certification deadline and review/revise documentation requirements. Motion carried.

Partners for Success

Commissioner Brinly introduced Allison Flanagan for an update on this initiative and an agenda review of the upcoming two-day Partners meeting May 28 and May 29, 2014.

Kentucky Skills Network

KWIB Member James Cole introduced Ben Haydon for an update on the Unified Business Services brand identity, activities and results.

Key Performance Indicator Dashboard/Customer Satisfaction

KWIB member Hugh Haydon introduced new enhancements to the Performance Scorecard with information about surrounding states' results on three key measures.

He then introduced Lori Collins for a review of the upcoming system wide Customer Satisfaction Survey, available via the Kentucky Career Center website as well as by random invitation to both employer and individual customers by July 1, 2014.

Statewide Reserve Funding

Commissioner Beth Brinly offered an overview and status report on the \$1.6M in Federal funding arriving throughout 2014 to support multiple KWIB initiatives.

Perkins State Leadership Fund

A recommendation in the form of a motion was made by Dr. Dale Winkler and seconded to accept the committee recommendations for Perkins funds.

PRESENTATIONS:

One World Class System of Career and Technical Education

Dr. Dale Winkler continued his Perkins recommendation and review with a brief presentation on the recent Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) report recommending changes to the structure and funding mechanism for Career and Technical Education in the Commonwealth.

User-friendly Online Services Update

KWIB member Srini Matam introduced Stuart Johnston for an introduction to upcoming enhancements to the FOCUS suite of user-friendly online services. The presentation included information about the features and benefits of the new application as well as about the leading-edge partnership approach Kentucky is taking to enhance its services for individual job-seekers.

OTHER BUSINESS

Legislative Review

Secretary Tom Zawacki presented an update on the results of the Legislative session as it relates to the Education and Workforce Development Cabinet and KWIB.

2014 National Governors Association Board Chairs and Liaisons Conference

Chairman Holmes introduced Beth Kuhn for an update of the upcoming conference on July 27 – August 1, 2014. KWIB members were invited and encouraged to attend both the social events and the working sessions, and to serve as volunteer Ambassadors for the visiting workforce officials from other states.

ADJOURN: With no further business, meeting adjourned at 3:20 PM.