

KWIB and Collaborative Joint Committee Meeting of

Workforce Participation and Sustainability

AGENDA July 15, 2022 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm EST

In-person at 500 Mero Street, Frankfort, KY or virtually through zoom

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> Call Meeting to Order / Welcome

Amy Luttrell, Chair Goodwill Industries of Kentucky, Inc.

> Cabinet news

Stefanie Ebbens Kingsley, Executive Director Kentucky Workforce Innovation Board

Subcommittee Updates

Family Resource Simulator roll out dates - Amy Luttrell, Chair Opportunity Youth and Young Adults Subcommittee - Johnny Pittman, Chair Veterans and Transitioning Servicemembers (VATS) - Dallas Kratzer, Co-Chair

Kentucky Innovative Scholarship Pilot Project

Dr. Lee Nimocks, Senior VP and Chief of Staff Council on Postsecondary Education

New Business / Other updates

Amy Luttrell, Co-Chair Goodwill Industries of Kentucky, Inc.

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Adjournment



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EMBERS PRESENT:			
Amy Luttrell - CHAIR	Х	Dr. Paul Czarapata	
Kate McAfee		Jason Dunn	X
Edgardo Mansilla		Dr. Jason Glass / Dr. Beth Hargis	Х
Judge Exec. Micheal Hale		Kristin Porter	
Lynn Parrish		Laurie Mays	х
Heidi Margulis	Х	Todd Dunn	
Buddy Hoskinson		Michael Buckentin	
Ryan Holmes		Dr. John Gregory	Х
Dallas Kratzer / Trace Chesser	X	Cora McNabb/ Betty Whittaker	Х
Jessica Cunningham		Scott Secamiglio	Х
Zach Morgan	Х	Suhas Kulkarni	
Karen Trial		Shauna King-Simms	Х
Alecia Webb-Edgington		Johnny Collett	Х
Madisen Sandiford		Johnny Pittman	
Dr. Lee Nimocks	X	Michelle DeJohn / Alisher Burikhanov	Х

OTHERS PRESENT:

Stefanie Ebbens Kingsley, Debbie Dennison, Sara Jaggers

2:03PM CALL MEETING TO ORDER / WELCOME

Amy Luttrell, co-chair, called the meeting to order, welcomed new and existing members and briefly walked through the agenda. She announced that Kim Menke, from Toyota is now the KWIB Chair. She asked Stefanie Ebbens Kingsley to share cabinet news.

CABINET NEWS

Stefanie Ebbens Kingsley, Executive Director, KWIB, shared that Mary Pat Regan, former Deputy Secretary of the Education and Workforce Development Cabinet accepted an appointment to the Public Service Commission. A new appointment for the Deputy Secretary role in the newly merged Education and Labor Cabinet is pending.

A grant for \$1,500,000 was submitted to further support the Putting Kentuckian's First (PKF) pilot program in the Cumberlands, and South Central regions. The money would bring more services to the justice-served populations upon release. We should find out if we were among awardees in September 2022.

Currently working on the Request for Proposal (RFP) language to issue, for analysis of the benefits cliffs, building on information the FRS calculator provides, to generate policy recommendations. The RFP should be out for response by the end of August 2022.

Family Resource Simulator (FRS) Roll out of training and feedback sessions will be held over the next month. KWIB staff provided information in the chat for those interested and can send additional information post meeting. FRS Video Link: <u>https://youtu.be/8aPX9KIjtiA</u>. Family Resource Simulator roll out dates: July 22, in Frankfort; July 26, in Owensboro; Aug 8 (Chamber specific); Sept 8, in Lexington at Goodwill; please email Debbie.dennison@ky.gov if you would like to participate and have NOT received an invitation.

There is an upcoming Legislative Task Force meeting on July 20, 2022 around HB7 and discussion around benefits cliffs. The agenda includes folks from the National Conference of State Legislators (NCSL), the Foundation for Government Accountability (FGA) and a presentation by the Kentucky Center for Statistics (KYSTATS). The meeting is an open meeting. KWIB staff will provide any materials provided to this committee for review post meeting. https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/CommitteeDocuments/355/

SUB-COMMITTEE UPDATES

Opportunity Youth / Young Adults sub-committee update

KWIB staff provided an update around the joint working group work. The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) is producing an updated work-based learning toolkit that hopes to be a guiding tool for employers. The manual is guided by regulation and statute and will be open for comment soon. At that time, this joint working group can review from an employer's perspective and provide comments to the KDE staff working on these updates.

Veterans and Transitioning Servicemen (VATS) update

Dr. Dallas Kratzer, co-chair of this sub-committee provided updates to include recent collaboration with other states in engaging employers. Recent presentations held about resources for veterans were during the <u>July Partner Spotlight</u> provided by the KWIB. Additional resources through SkillBridge, state partners, KCMA and University of Louisville (in the C4 team) are also great resources for veterans transitioning from service to civilian opportunities. There is planning and collaboration for an upcoming Veterans Summit, the second week in November and partners include, Kentucky Career and Technical College System (KCTCS), the KY Chamber and KY Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) folks. KY SHRM plans on rolling out a new veteran website for resources that should happen in the October, November timeframe. This sub-committee will continue goals in educating employers regarding resources available to them to hire veterans. Next meeting is September 7, 2022. Myra Wilson asked to add Jon Sowards to the sub-committee; Dallas is speaking to Jon currently and will engage him into that work. Discussion around 2023 suggested drawdown at Bluegrass Depot will prompt additional follow up. <u>Dallas.Kratzer@ky.gov</u> for more information on any questions regarding veterans' populations.

Amy Luttrell shared that additional follow up from last meetings discussion with Kentucky Refugee Ministries and Brian Becker of the S. Central LWD was held. One idea that could be the work of this committee included developing criteria for employers in hiring underrepresented populations in the workforce. She asked for feedback from the committee members on this idea of developing recognition for employers to use and attract new audiences for work.

Discussion was had among members with conversations around what other states and companies are doing (<u>https://dvsv3.com/; https://canopyky.org/certification/</u>. Dallas Kratzer, Michael Gritton and Jessie Schook (by Shauna King-Simms) expressed interest in being a part of this conversation as it builds. Alisher Burikhanov added that bringing employers together to understand their collective challenges and offered solutions might also be beneficial as this work moves forward.

<u>Presentation – Kentucky Innovation Scholarship Pilot Program</u> - Dr. Lee Nimocks, Vice-President, Council on Postsecondary Education, shared that they have received a \$10 million grant for scholarships for displaced refugee, asylees, and other international displaced populations coming to Kentucky. Among the goals includes providing money to campuses to ensure refugee populations are being trained to transition to needs of the current workforce. They are also working on building out capacity in the postsecondary community. For more information, visit <u>https://cpe.ky.gov/ourwork/internationalstudents.html</u>. Discussion was held around the communication of resources available through the right networks to the right people. More information coming in the next weeks including a news release. Communications will begin on the CPE and KHEAA sites.

Additional Business:

Amy asked if there was additional business or information by the committee. Shauna King-Simms shared that KCTCS is working on a CDC grant to train up to 525 nurse aides for use in long-term care facilities. They are targeting jobseekers that want to train and begin work quickly. KWIB staff will introduce Myra Wilson and Dallas Kratzer to Shauna for more information as this develops.

Next scheduled meeting is 9/20, Tuesday at 2pm. More information to come.

<u>2:59PM</u> ADJOURNMENT Amy Luttrell adjourned the meeting.