



Employment Committee

March 8, 2018
Sheraton, Columbus, Ohio
2:35pm-4:05pm

Minutes

Members present

- X Vicki Jenkins
- X Karen Kerr
- X Lori Kershner
- Heather McFarlin
- Blaine O'Leary
- X James Plasencia
- Jill Radler
- X Mark Smith
- X Jo Spargo
- X Marci Straughter
- X Mindy Vance
- X Dara Walburn
- X Brandon White
- X Sue Willis, Chair

Staff

Leslie Paull
Paul Jarvis
Carolyn Knight
Carla Cox

Other council present

Rochelle Hall-Rollins

Shannon Komisarek

Guests present

Deb Tackett

Essie Pederson

Christine Brown

Summer Boyer

Davika Rao

Linda Kunick

Julie Hance

Holly Chapman

Josh Fishman

Marilyn Fishman

Natalie Fishman

Mark Seifarth

I. Call to Order and Introductions

- A. Sue Willis, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 2:42 PM with Introductions.

II. Approval of the meeting minutes

- A. Sue Willis asked for a motion to accept the September 14, 2017 Employment Committee minutes.
 - James Plasencia moved to accept the minutes.
 - Brandon White seconded it. Mark Smith abstained.
 - September 14, 2017 minutes were approved.

III. Employment First Update

- A. Julie Hance from OOD provided the members an update on Employment First OOD-DODD partnership. Currently the median wage of individuals obtaining employment is around \$9/hour.
- B. Josh Fishman told the committee about his experiences finding employment, job supports, and work at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. Josh is now a Guest Services

Ambassador at the Greater Columbus Convention Center because of the services he received and his hard work and determination.

IV. Old Business/ New Business

- A. Christine Brown informed the committee that Medicaid Buy-in rules need to change for individuals older than retirement age.

VI. Adjournment

- A. Sue Willis asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dara Walburn moved to adjourn at 4:06 p.m.

Next meeting: May 3, 2018

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