



# Employment Committee

June 3, 2020  
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2:00pm-3:30pm

## Minutes

### Members present

- X Brenda Brandon
- X Michael Denlinger  
Pamela Green
- X Rochelle Hall-Rollins
- X Vicki Jenkins
- X Karen Kerr
- X Lori Kershner
- X Shannon Komisarek, Chair  
Blaine O'Leary
- X James Plasencia
- X Jill Radler  
Michael Richards  
Kerstin Sjoberg  
Mark Smith  
Jo Spargo
- X Marci Straughter
- X Dara Walburn  
Brandon White

### Staff

Robin Shipp  
Carolyn Knight  
Gary Groom  
Rebecca Bates  
Paul Jarvis

### Other council members present

Jackie Rigutto

## **Guests present**

Kellie Brown

Eric Rathburn

Mark Seifarth

Christine Brown

Tom Hess

## **I. Call to Order and Introductions**

- A. Shannon Komisarek, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 2:00pm with introductions.

## **II. Approval of the meeting minutes**

- A. Shannon Komisarek asked for a motion to accept the September 19, 2019, Employment Committee minutes.
  - Brenda Brandon moved to accept the minutes as written.
  - Michael Denlinger seconded it.
  - July 11, 2019 Employment Committee minutes were approved.

## **III. 2021 State Plan Language**

- A. The committee reviewed the 2021 Money Matters State Plan Language.
  - Karen Kerr moved to accept the 2021 Money Matters State Plan language.
  - Michael Denlinger seconded it.
  - All agreed. Motion passed. Rochelle Hall-Rollins abstained.
- B. The committee reviewed the 2021 Change Makes Sense State Plan Language.
  - Dara Walburn moved to accept the 2021 Change Makes Sense State Plan language.
  - Marci Straughter seconded it.
  - All agreed. Motion passed.
- C. The third year of the Employer Engagement grant will be moved to 2022 since it is off cycle and begins on September 1.

#### **IV. Employer Engagement State Plan Amendment**

- A. The committee reviewed the 2019 and 2020 Employer Engagement State Plan Amendment. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, most of the grant activities need to be completed virtually or in smaller groups. The plan language was changed to reflect these updates.
- Michael Denlinger moved to accept the 2019 and 2020 Employer Engagement State Plan Amendment.
  - Marci Straughter seconded it.
  - All agreed. Motion passed.

#### **V. Begin discussions for 2022 State Plan in the Area of Employment**

- A. The committee discussed ideas for new projects beginning 2022. Survey results were reviewed to determine needs in the area. Members discussed the following: transportation, watch for employment trends, developing online modules explaining benefits, buy technology.
- B. The committee will discuss further in July.

#### **VI. Announcements**

- A. Dara Walburn announced Athens on Demand is giving Rides for free and is going back to work.

#### **VII. Adjournment**

- A. Shannon Komisarek asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. James Placencia moved to adjourn. Dara Walburn seconded it. The meeting ended at 3:05 p.m.

**Next meeting:** July 8, 2020

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