



# Workforce Investment Board of Tulare County Program & Evaluation Committee Minutes

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April 27, 2022

## **Committee Members Attending**

Randy Bearg-Chair, Ronny Jungk, Sandra Wilson

## **WIB Staff Present**

Jennie Bautista, Mary Rodarte, Laura Gonzalez, Adam Peck, Carlene Estes

### **1. Call To Order/Welcome and Introductions**

Randy Baerg - Chair called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

### **2. Public Comment**

Randy Baerg - Chair opened the floor for public comment; none presented.

### **3. Consent Items**

#### **a. Approve May 6, 2021, Program and Evaluation Committee Minutes**

Motion by Ronny Jungk, second by Sandra Bullard to approve the Consent Items; carried by unanimous vote.

### **4. Regular Item**

1. Approve a recommendation to the WIB to renew all the subrecipient agreements to provide WIOA Adult and Dislocated Worker Basic and Individualized Career Services and WIOA Youth Services for PY 2022-2023 for one additional year.
  - a) Recommend that the WIB renew WIOA Adult and Dislocated Worker Basic and Individualized Career Services agreements for PY 2022-2023 for a second year with:

- i. Community Services Employment Training (CSET) for the Employment Connection Comprehensive Center in Porterville
- ii. Community Services Employment Training (CSET) for the Employment Connection Comprehensive Center in Visalia
- iii. Community Services Employment Training (CSET) for the Employment Connection Affiliate Site in Tulare
- iv. Proteus, Inc. for the Employment Connection Affiliate Site in Dinuba

Adam Peck addressed the committee to recommend a) and b) be one big action item and approve WIB to renew all the subrecipient agreements to provide WIOA Adult and Dislocated Worker Basic and Individualized Career Services WIOA Youth Services for PY 2022-2023.

Mr. Peck provided an overview of the Procurement Cycle, PY 21-22 Procurement PY 22-23 the second year of a four-year procurement and may renew for two additional years. Overview of regular item structure, contracts review, monitoring reports, discussion, repeat, and vote. The conditions have changed, pressure from the current State, the impact of decreased formula funding, and shifts impacting services & providers.

Jennie Bautista discussed rethinking the work and transitioning to less place-reliant services, refocusing the system work with minimal staff. In addition, developing innovative strategies to help businesses find workers, increasing WIB's role in job development, and developing effective and timely tracking systems.

Mr. Peck provided an overview of the WIOA Local Performance Measures and WIOA State Planned Performance for Adult and Dislocated Workers.

Mary Rodarte presented the current WIOA Career Services program outcomes, local performance July 1, 2021, through March 31, 2022, and State Performance Plan July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020.

Carlene Estes provided an overview of the PY 2020-2021 final monitoring reports for WIOA Adult, Dislocated Worker Programs. Subrecipients across the board have not been meeting performance. This could be related to COVID, but prior to COVID, still not always meeting performance.

Ms. Bautista asked the Program Committee members to reflect on the reports and discussion for Adult and Dislocated Worker contracts and asked, what stands out to you and what concerns do you have about contract and performance?

Ronny Jungk - Concerns were lack of enrollments and stimulus monies because people using COVID as a concern versus working and people going elsewhere.

Mr. Peck – The industry that is down is the temporary agencies because people are going directly to employers’ doors.

Randy Baerg – Concern if the performance is down or percentage decline similar to the decline in available people in the labor market is that due to the performance issue.

Mr. Peck – Slack in the labor force than people coming in the doors looking for work.

Ms. Bautista asked what the strengths and accomplishments of our providers are?

Ronny Jungk – Responded, credentials given out, and the skills gained.

- b) Recommend that the WIB renew WIOA Youth Services agreements for PY 2022-2023 for a second year with:
  - i. Tulare County Office of Education Services for Employment and Education (TCOE SEE) for Area I - Porterville, Lindsay, Strathmore, Terra Bella, Woodville)
  - ii. Community Services Employment Training for Area II (Tulare, Earlimart, Pixley, Tipton)
  - iii. Community Services Employment Training for Area III (Visalia, Goshen)
  - iv. Community Services Employment Training for Area IV (Dinuba, Cutler, Orosi)
  - v. Proteus, Inc. for Area V (Woodlake, Exeter, Farmersville, Ivanhoe, Three Rivers, Lemon Cove)

Mr. Peck provided an overview of the WIOA Local Performance Measures and WIOA State Planned Performance for Youth Services.

Mary Rodarte presented the current WIOA Youth Program Outcomes, the local performance from July 1, 2021, through March 31, 2022, and State Performance Plan from July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020. This year, individual training accounts were added to service provider contracts.

Carlene Estes provided an overview of the PY 2020-2021 final monitoring reports for WIOA Youth Programs.

Ms. Bautista – Asked Program Committee members to reflect on the reports and discussion for Youth contracts and asked, what stands out to you? What concerns do you have about contract and performance? What are the strengths and accomplishments of our providers?

Ronny Jungk – Concerns are lack of enrollments.

Motion by Sandra Bullard, second by Ronny Jungk, to approve a recommendation to the WIB to renew all the subrecipient agreements to provide WIOA Adult and Dislocated Worker Basic and Individualized Career Services and WIOA Youth Services for PY 2022-2023 for one additional year and direct staff to develop ideas to provide a higher level of scrutiny for contracts that have fallen behind; carried by unanimous vote.

Next meeting is scheduled for June 1, 2022, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

5. **Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

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