

**BOARD MEETING 12:00noon – 2:00pm**

**May 17, 2018**

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Roseburg, OR 97470

**SOWIB Board Members Present:**

Jason Aase Joe Benetti (phone) Debbie Sargent

Ali Mageehon (phone) Robert Westerman (phone) Andy Owens

Dena Miles (phone) Bryan Grummon Mike Lehman (phone)

Doug Eberlein (phone) Kelly Morgan, Chair Wayne Patterson

**SOWIB Staff Present:**

Jake McClelland Kyle Stevens Lisa Crockett

Angie Billings

**Others Present:**

Annette Shelton-Tiderman, OED Rena Langston, SCBEC Rachel Soto, HECC

Jordana Barclay, OED Robin Van Winkle, UCC

Meeting was called to order at 12:04pm with round table introductions and confirmation of quorum.

Debbie Sargent made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Bryan Grummon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Andy Owens made a motion to approve the SOWIB 2018/19 Budget up to as presented. Wayne Patterson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Jordana Barclay from the Office of Workforce Investments gave a short presentation on the Local Workforce Board Assessment that the State is conducting for SOWIB. She would like to speak with as many Board Members and LLT members as possible to identify best practices and determine where technical assistance can be provided.

Rena Langston, Workforce Manager for SCBEC, gave an update on the current projects going on with SCBEC in Coos, Curry and Douglas counties. SCBEC is on track to exceed contractual numbers in Coos and Douglas counties. There have been staff changes in Curry County creating a pause in services but within the next couple of weeks they expected to be fully enrolled.

Director of Community and Workforce Training at Umpqua Community College Robin Van Winkle gave an update on the Certified Production Technology (CPT) Program being offered in Douglas County. The goal is to increase the number of qualified workers in the manufacturing industry by offering customized training for entry-level/mid-level positions through employers. It allows students to receive a recognized credential in the field and increases the pool of qualified workers in the manufacturing industry. This program is currently available to the public with a push to recruit underemployed, misemployed, and unemployed adults.

Andy Owens gave a presentation on the truck driving program at UCC in Roseburg. Stakeholders have been meeting to discuss the importance of transportation in Oregon and to address the shortage of truck drivers in our region. The group is trying to generate funding to provide scholarships and training for people interested in becoming a driver and they hope to provide evening and weekend classes so underemployed workers can keep their current income while training. The plan is to train 100 individuals per year through UCC; graduates can expect first-year annual salaries of $45,000-$50,000 plus benefits.

Wayne Patterson gave a report on the Grow Our Own project. The first part of the project is a baseball trading cards program highlighting different career paths to be given out to 2,000 junior high students in Douglas County. The second part of the program is the Umpqua Healthcare Career Pathway where the CTE Coordinator can assist high school students in receiving an Allied Health Certificate. There has been a huge response from the students and he expects it will be a very successful youth program. He also discussed the acquisition of 10 acres of land to build a CTE Center for K12 in South Douglas. When the program is up and running, they are going to focus on 40-80 students from 5 South County High Schools, adding a new program each year.

Bryan Grummon opened a discussion about childcare/preschool issues. In Curry county, the largest number of unemployed people that can work are unemployed because they can’t find adequate childcare. There is only one unlicensed daycare center in Gold Beach with a year-long waiting list and limited preschool programs preparing the children for kindergarten. Bryan is interested in having SOWIB assist people in getting trained and certified to provide childcare. SOWIB staff is going to continue to outreach with partners to work towards a training program for childcare providers. Jordana Barclay suggested contacting early learning hubs and looking into a pilot program under the Future Ready Oregon program.

Kyle Stevens gave a Performance and Monitoring update on SCBEC. Summary reports included in the board packet and agenda.

Debbie Sargent gave a brief update on the LLT. The group is currently working on cost-sharing for the WorkSource Centers and integrating services/leveraging resources with other WIOA-mandated partners to eliminate duplication.

Annette Shelton-Tiderman, Regional Economist in the State of Oregon Research Division, gave an economic summary for Coos, Curry, and Douglas Counties.

The public portion of the meeting adjourned at 1:46pm. Board Members went into Executive Session to discuss Jake’s Executive Director Employee Evaluation. Executive Session adjourned at 2:01pm.