

**Workforce Investment Board HMO Meeting
December 18, 2015
Auditors meeting
AIS
8:35A.M.**

Committee Members Present:

Wilber Allen, Kathleen Rinaldo, Amy Turner, Karin Zipko, , Alice Savino , Kelly Walters, Judy Petroski, David Goodness (WDI), Karin Piseck, Mike Choquette, David Mathis, Terry Humphries, Franca Armstrong,

Call to Order:

Wilber Allen welcomed everyone at 8:58 A.M.

Consent Agenda:.....Approved.....M/SG. Scalzo/P. Williams

Executive Committee Meeting minutes from October 2, 2015 and Budget report for October 2015

Review of Board Audit Reports: Dick Zwiefel & Scott Hosler

Dick Zweifel and Scott Hosler of Bonadio & Co. presented their audit results for the WIB of Herkimer, Madison, and Oneida Counties, for the 2015 year; there were no findings and no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Staff Changes:

Madhu Gupta, Financial Manager for the WIB has retired after 10 years of service, she has been replaced by Sabrina Fryman.

Apprenticeship Grant- Chris Hullar who was formally employed with the Rescue Mission has been hired as the Project Director of the New Apprenticeship Grant, Jennifer McCullough has also been hired on this same grant and both will start work January 5, 2016; there are still 2 job openings on this grant.

Disability Employment Initiative-The WIB has received a 3 year Grant from New York State for 2 Disability resource Coordinators, Tanisha Taylor who previously worked on the Second Chance Grant Program has been hired for this Grant and the second position has yet to be filled. This Grant gets people who are on disability and receive the ticket to work, the positions are already funded, but additional revenue is received if they get off SSDI.

Other business:

The Community Foundation has developed a great website called Connect Mohawk Valley which has been advertised on television that serves Interns, Summer Employment and Apprenticeships. About \$100,000 has been put into the website but it is not getting much use and they do not want to invest more money into it, so they asked Alice in a meeting if she would like to use the Website because they do not want to abandon it; there will also be some transitional funding for staff for 2 years; this website fits nicely with the WIB's Apprenticeship Program which has been funded to develop a website with the Oneida County College Corp Internship Program and Oneida County Summer Youth Employment program as a recruitment tool. It will also be connected to the Working Solutions website.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:44 A.M.....W. Allen/G. Scalzo

Next full Board Meeting- March 24, 2016 @ TBD