

Full Board Meeting
ZOOM
Friday, May 14, 2021
8:30 AM-9:30 AM

Committee Members Present:

Beth Bowers, Amy Turner, Gary Scalzo, Franca Armstrong, Robert Brenchley, Allene Monaghan, Alice Savino, Julie Synakowski, Karin Piseck, Scott Ingmire, David Mathis, Terry Humphries, Ellen Bowe, Phil Martini, Cheryl Blask, Cheryl Zumbo, Zoë Vandermeulen, Kelly Walters, Bryan Ellinger, Crystal Guzzardo, Gary Scalzo and Shawna Papale

Call to order:

Meeting called to order by Beth Bowers at 8:32am

Minutes & Financial Report from March meeting

Minutes/Financial Report approved M/S.....Bob Brenchley, Shawna Papale

Operator /Partner Report - Zoë Vandermeulen

In April, the partners held their first zoom meeting in over a year to go over updates on when centers are opening and how performing services. All center managers and 7 partners present. For CDO, Zoë's been sending out partner e-mails in between the quarterly partner meetings so she will start doing that with HMO starting end of May. Also have been doing recruiting advertising, not seeing if it's working, still waiting. Continuing to get the word out.

Local Plan & Demand Occupations – Alice

Zoë, Mary Kate and Alice working on local plan. Need to have in by June 30th after being posted for at least 10 days, not exceeding 30 days for public comment.

Approved the Demand Occupation list so no changes. Based on strategic plan from a year ago.

WDB Grant – sent out the Grant Eligibility list for you to use as reference.

Lot of presentations have been done on the Rural Healthcare Grant and will start presenting on the IT/Cybersecurity in the next few weeks.

Working with MVCC on coding and a Mentoring program with SUNY POLY

Premier Virtual Job Fair platform is purchased for one year. We were planning a job fair on 6/22 but NYS is doing one on 6/23 so we'll hold off until July. Free to employers and job seekers.

Metrix was renewed, they gave us 50% discount. Pleased with results, people have received training certificates on their own.

- Possibility of letting employers purchase use of platform for individual job fair. Beth and Alice will discuss a price list. Alice would like to use until September to test drive it. Maybe launch through SHRM.
- Can do specialized job fairs such as Healthcare field.

PY 21 Allocation – We received additional \$85,270 beginning July 1 for a total of \$2.6M3.36% increase overall. Funding, we have to spend 80% by the end of PY which ends June 30 but they will allow a waiver due to the pandemic. Should be good for next year and training with people looking for service in September since UI will be ending.

SYEP – Summer Youth Employment Program –

- Karin Pesick – Herkimer – No allocation yet from OTDA, to DSS to the Center. Applications coming in slow, about 25 received. Sharing on social media. Hoping for normal program – 14-15 year olds at BOCES, 16-20 year olds throughout the county at different work sites.
- Ellen Bowe – Madison – 25 applications received, sent out close to 100, hoping to get most back by end of May. Ran ads and list on social media. Ellen reached out to see if they could reach out through baseball team. Placing youths at BOCES, trying to access how many worksites they'll need in Oneida and Canastota, depends on how many youth.
- David – Oneida – Last summer was challenging but in OC served about 190 youth. We're not having any problems, have over 300 applications, estimate over 400 end of May. Similar program as in the past, most projects will be outdoors. For the 14-15 year olds, we find projects through employers; MVCAA – 20 youths; RCIL – 50; Parkway Sr. Center, MVCC Utica – cleaning(20 youth) and Rome – beautification/garden (24 youth). Biggest project is with Utica Municipal Housing – 100 youth, work at 5 different housing projects around the city. Proposal from MV Latino Assoc, beautification/garden. Worksite requests include Oriskany Falls, Jarvis Library in Rome, Solid Waste Authority, NY School for the deaf (10 deaf youth, 10 non deaf youth) located on Rome campus, garden program. Johnson Park Utica and also Parkway Center. Most calls are from parents, not the youth. Try to get the youth to be a bit more aggressive. Anticipate one funding comes, start staff 5/24 or 6/1.

Other business

Welcome Crystal Guzzardo from Oneida Hood. Welcome back Bryan Ellinger, now at Valley Healthcare.

Hearing from employers about long term plans but Beth along with Bond, Schoeneck & King is going to start a Central NY Consortium on strategies to telework or getting back to the office. Beth would like to finalize by end of the month. Beth will speak to Shawna how EDGE might be involved. If you know any employers who are talking about this, give them Beth's contact info.

- Beth Bowers bowersb@ainfosec.com

Kelly did a shout out to Alice and staff, Parkway Sr. Center having a difficult time filling positions and Alice has helped do a push out. Thank you Mary Kate!!

Parkway Sr. Center Openings:

1. **Way to Go Coordinator** – transportation educator, coordinates programs for transportation.
2. **Livable Communities Project Coordinator** – Help coordinate Age Friendly Action Plan, someone to oversee.
3. Lots of volunteer opportunities

MVCC – Franca Armstrong –

- MVCC has formed collaboration with Fulton Montgomery Counties, working with college, virtual through summer, some in person soon.
- Tractor Trailer program, no date yet. Agreement with new company in Rome.
- MVCC signed agreement with MVILR – Mohawk Valley Institute for Learning and Retirement, at SUNY POLY for 20+ years and now will be at the MVCC Rome campus, 300 + members. Classes start 9/20, different classes, different topics for recently retired, academic and fun courses.
- Senate for Leadership Excellence will be recruiting for fall classes: Leadership Academy, Leadership MV, Kristen Skobla is the contact kskobla@mvcc.edu

Bryan – Valley Healthcare is actively looking for nursing staff and aids.

Next Executive Committee meeting June 11, 2021

Next Board meeting September 17, 2021 – Have a great summer!



Adjournment at 9:01am:M/S.....Kelly Waters, Cheryl Zumbo