

## Future's Committee Meeting

Thursday, September 12, 2019 – 9:30 am – 10:00 am

**Members Present:** Board Members present: Jeff Miller, IBEW (chairperson);

**Other members present:** Greg Sands, Jr Achievement, Amy Goode, DISCOVER Partnership, Nicole Zaun, PCEC, Terry Hinton, Northern Regional College

Guests Present: Matt LaVerde, IU6

**Staff Present:** Pam Streich, Joe Royer and Aaron Herzing

**Topics Discussed** – Review of Committee Purpose, Grant Activity Update, What's So Cool Video Contest, Health Careers/Social Assistance Camp, Career Readiness State Training Plan and Stakeholder Meeting, Local and Regional Plan Modifications.

### Meeting Summary:

**Committee Purpose:** To explore opportunities that will assist the board in accomplishing its goals for the future; including grant opportunities; To ensure that Industry/Sector Partnerships, Business and Education Connect activities (regional) and other ideas as identified by the board are meeting the goals and objectives of the board; and to provide quarterly reports on each activity to the board at each of the quarterly meetings and upon request of the board.

**Grant Activity:** Pam provided an update on the grant activity stating that the grants from the PA SMART – Next Gen and Registered Apprenticeship (and Pre RA) are being implemented and going well, the PA State and Local Internship Program (SLIP) with 142 interns and 87 businesses being served ended on August 30 – with the final report due by the end of September, Business and Education Partnership grant activities continue to occur throughout the region, Teacher in the Workplace grant programs are slow to be implemented and the Economic Transition grant for Dislocated Workers is doing well with 7 participants receiving ITAs. **New Grant:** A proposal will be submitted in response to a grant announcement from Labor and Industry for funding for reentry programs throughout the region bringing together the PA CareerLink®, CJABs, Counties, employers, etc. to develop program to reduce recidivism.

**4th Annual What's So Cool About Manufacturing Video Contest** – 10 schools committed so far; awards ceremony will be held on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at the St. Marys Area High School.

**Health Care and Social Assistance Industry Career Camp** –The week long camp was held on August (12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>) at BC3. The camp had 10 participants and was a huge success.

**Career Readiness State Training Plan** – Pam provided an update on this initiative. As a reminder there are 5 deliverables for this initiative and they are: 1) Assists districts in curriculum integration of the CEW standards.2. Facilitate Career Readiness Training workshops (train the trainer boot camps)3. Assists LEAs in implementing and managing data systems related to Career Readiness components of Pennsylvania's ESSA State Plan, Future Ready PA Index, and/or state graduation requirements.4. Provide Teacher in the Workplace support in schools in strategies, action planning, and technical assistance. 5. Assists districts in developing workforce development and stakeholder relationships. Workforce Solutions has provided assistance to the IU6 on the development of a panel for the upcoming Stakeholder Forum that will be held at Penn State DuBois on October 24 from 8:00 am until noon. Pam will send the registration link to everyone.

**Local and Regional Plan Modifications:** Pam reviewed the process of the Local and Regional Plan Modifications that includes staff changes, change in the PA CareerLink® Operator and new initiatives. The plans are available on the website and public comments are being accepted through September 27, 2019. The link was sent out last week to committee members to provide them time to prepare for the meeting. Terry Hinton stated the plans are easy to read and all looked good to her. The Committee agreed and recommend the modifications approval to the board. See Action Item below.

### Other business:

**Next Meeting** – Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 1:00 – 2:00 pm

**Action Items for the WDB:** The committee reviewed the Local and Regional Plan Modifications and recommend the board approve these modified plans as written.