



**Local Management Committee – Quarterly Meeting
September 16, 2020 via ZOOM**

Members/Guests Present: Julia Foster, Blythe Brunner, Karen Jack, Todd Vanderburgh, Ron Hammersley, Tim Dugan
Board Staff: Linda Franco
Absent: Jim Keltz, Rebecca Mitchell, Gail Valora, Cheryl Shellhammer

Topics Discussed: Program Updates: ELRC of Clearfield, Keys Program, EARN

Program Updates – Karen Jack reported on the KEYS Program. Keys is a program designed to assist students who are receiving TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) and/or SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) assistance and attending one of the 14 PA community colleges. KEYS connects eligible students to supportive services and resources that help them to succeed. Some of the benefits for students enrolled in the KEYS Program include:

- Additional academic support, additional tutoring, and career counseling.
- A liaison to the County Assistance Office and support in maintaining compliance and reaching established goals.
- A connection to other community service agencies.

Blythe Brunner reported on the EARN Program: She provided the following chart:

	PY2020 CARRYOVER IN RETENTION AS OF 7/1/20	NEW RULES PY2020 CARRYOVER	NEW RULES PY2020 NEW
CAMERON	0	0	0
CLEARFIELD	3	7	4
ELK	4	0	1
DUBOIS	5	1	1
JEFFERSON	1	2	0
MCKEAN	10	3	2
POTTER	0	0	0
TOTALS	23	13	8

And three success stories for EARN customers in Clearfield, Jefferson, and McKean counties.

Julia Foster discussed ELRC and the struggles with COVID and child care. She indicated the number of eligible participants is high but the lack of child care providers and concerns over COVID regulations has made it difficult to place children and they have a waiting list.

Linda talked about the status of the PA CareerLinks®, that they are open to the public and serving customers both virtually and in person.

There was no **New Business**.

Action Items: None