



**OHIO VALLEY EMPLOYMENT RESOURCE
COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS MEETING
AUGUST 1, 2022 – NOON
LORI'S RESTAURANT, CALDWELL, OHIO**

**TY MOORE, COG CHAIR
JAMES BOOTH, COG VICE-CHAIR**

Minutes -in-person-w/nonvoting virtual option

Attendance:

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| Diane Burkhardt, Monroe County Commissioner | Ty Moore, Noble County Commissioner |
| Mick Schumacher, Monroe County Commissioner | Gary Saling, Noble County Commissioner |
| Bill Bolon, Monroe County Commissioner | Brad Peoples, Noble County Commissioner |
| Richard Welsh, Morgan County Commissioner | Charles Schilling, Washington County Commissioner |
| Adam Shriver, Morgan County Commissioner | Kevin Ritter, Washington County Commissioner |
| | James Booth, Washington County Commissioner |

Others in Attendance:

Rebecca Safko, Executive Director, Ohio Valley Employment Resource
Michelle Hooper, Grants Assistant, Ohio Valley Employment Resource
Jeanette Schwall, Director, Monroe County Department of Job and Family Services
Heidi Burns, Director, Morgan County Department of Job & Family Services
Mindy Lowe, Director, Noble County Department of Job & Family Services
Flite Freimann, Director, Washington County Department of Job & Family Services
Cecil Mayle, unopposed Morgan Commissioner candidate

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG was led by Ty Moore, COG Chair.

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES –COG Motion 1-22 to accept the May 2, 2022, minutes. Motion by: Kevin Ritter; Second by: Charles Schilling. Motion passed.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST – the annual form was presented, discussed and is to be signed and returned.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEMBER

- Washington-Linn Yost, Owner, Micro machine Works, Inc.-Barlow
- Monroe- Tru Jorris, Human Resource Manager, American Heavy Plate Solutions, LLC
- Area Wide-Ryan Dyar, Business Manager, IBEW LU 972
- Jeff Smith, Plumbers & Pipefitters LU 168, move from Monroe to Area-wide

COG Motion 2-22 to appoint Linn Yost and Tru Jorris. Motion by: Charles Schilling; Second by: Mick Schumacher. Motion passed. Discussion: Noble will consider adding another business member and report back next meeting.

WIOA AREA #15 ACTIVITIES

- Katelyn Rhodes resigned the Social Media Intern position 7/15/22, for additional hours at Thermo Fisher, will advertise position in August.
- OVER Expenditures as of 6/30/22 were presented and discussed.
- Various dues/subscriptions were discussed.

COG Motion 3-22 to accept the QuickBooks Plus Online pricing: cost increased from \$80 to \$85 per month Ohio Workforce Association PY2022 dues \$3,500 and AOMC 2022 dues \$250. Motion by: James Booth; Second by: Adam Shriver. Motion passed.

- Area 15 Expenditures as of 6/30/22; WIOA PY21 Q3 Unadjusted Performance Report; One-Stop counts and Operator reports, April-June 2022 were presented and discussed.
- Partner & Resource Room Updates and OMJ Jobseeker Success Stories were shared.

JOINT BOARDS' ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Phase III One-Stop Certification was completed by WDB members and accepted by the State.

- Transfers to utilize year end

| | Adult | DW | Youth | Total |
|--------|----------|--|-----------|-----------|
| Monroe | (50,000) | (50,000) | (100,000) | (200,000) |
| Morgan | 20,000 | 70,000 | 50,000 | 140,000 |
| Noble | 50,000 | (20,000) | 100,000 | 130,000 |
| Wash. | (62,000) | (41,000) | (192,000) | (295,000) |
| OVER | 42,000 | 41,000 | 142,000 | 225,000 |
| Area | - | - | - | - |
| OVER | 125,000 | VR career training/exploration | | |
| | 100,000 | To WIOA16=Belmont/Carroll/Harrison/Jefferson | | |

COG Motion 4-22 to accept the county transfers listed above; contract for 25 virtual reality career exploration and training googles/handsets for OMs/schools/partners/fairs/job fairs to attempt outreach and engagement of more customers; release \$100K expiring youth to neighboring Belmont/Carroll/Harrison/Jefferson workforce area. Motion by: Charles Schilling; Second by: Adam Shriver. Motion passed.

- Building a Future-Ready Workforce Grant - the JASON Learning Implementation status report was emailed and summarized. We will have a training event for teachers, school staff, workforce area members, partners, and businesses on August 8-10, 2022, at Shenandoah High School, Sarahsville, Ohio. Attendance encouraged.
- WDB Personnel Committee recommendations
 - Health insurance proposal – Washington could not take OVER staff into health insurance plan; reached out to Noble as a possibility but not an option. Noble connected OVER to Keystone Group to quote insurance and the table of options and cost share ee/er options was handed out.
 - OVER’s mileage rate – was overlooked at prior meeting – request to move to federal rate.

12:39PM **COG Motion 5-22 move to Executive Session – Personnel/health insurance. Motion by: James Booth; Second by: Charles Schilling. Motion passed, roll call unanimous.**

12:53PM **COG Motion 6-22 move to leave Executive Session – Personnel/health insurance. Motion by: Charles Schilling; Second by: James Booth. Motion passed, roll call unanimous.**

COG Motion 7-22 to choose Plan E-MMO COSE MEWA for full time employees and 80% employer share/20% employee share which would be, as quoted, a cost of \$0.79 an hour for individual and \$2.44 for family coverage for the first insurance year for the three existing full-time employees. Motion by: Bill Bolon; Second by: Diane Burkhart. Motion passed.

COG Motion 8-22 move OVER staff mileage rate to the federal rate. Motion by: Kevin Ritter; Second by: Brad Peoples. Motion passed.

- Incumbent Worker Projects approved at the 8/1/22 WDB meeting, \$79,463.14 – details provided on the agenda
- Monitoring update – still in progress.
- RFP for youth elements - Unsuccessful RFP for mini golf project – no response.
- Apprenticeship/Pre-apprentice – working on water / wastewater
- Reemployment - RESEA areawide position will advertise in August. Position description provided.
- Ohio Build’s \$500M in Appalachia- tentative roundtable discussion at the August training event.

ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: discussed four county meeting rotation after the November meeting.

FUTURE MEETING DATES: Mondays, 11/7/22, 2/9/23, 5/8/23, 8/7/23. Location?

ADJOURNMENT: **COG Motion 9-22 to adjourn. Motion: Charles Schilling; second: Richard Welsh; motion passed.**

Approved By: 

 COG Chair or Vice Chair

Date: 11/7/2022