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Grant Review Committee Meeting Minutes – January 26, 2021

Committee Members: Kelly Kolb, Jay Larsen, ~~Michelle Stennett~~, Brian Cox, ~~Jeff Greene~~, Joe Maloney, ~~Jake Reynolds~~, Rico Barrera, Jenni Bradford, Sarah Griffin

Staff: Matthew Thomsen, Paige Nielebeck, Amanda Ames, Jeffrey Bacon, Caty Solace, Wendi Secrist

Guests:

Called to order at 2:01 p.m.

Welcome

Roll Call – Quorum Met

Review Agenda – No changes to the agenda

Review December 22, 2020 Meeting Minutes

**Motion by Ms. Griffin to approve the December 22, 2020 Meeting Minutes. Second by Mr. Cox.
Motion carried.**

WDTF Financial Summary

WDTF Financial Summary - December 31, 2020	
WDTF Cash Balance 12-1-20	\$15,266,474
Revenue	\$7,267
Interest	\$5,528
Payments	\$171,303
WDTF Cash Balance 12-31-20	\$15,107,967
Obligated Employer Grants	\$1,170,176
Obligated Industry Sector Grants	\$3,116,750
Obligated Innovation Grants	\$134,698
*Obligated Outreach Projects & Allocated Budget	\$952,857
Short Term Financial Assistance Program	\$1,988,959
FY 20 WDTF Admin Costs	\$718,083
WDTF Obligated Balance	\$8,081,522
Unobligated Balance	\$7,026,445
Proposals Under Review	\$2,000,000
Unobligated Balance if all funded	\$5,026,445

*Includes all Outreach funding made available for the Committee to allocate for FY21.

WDTF FY21 Revenue	Transfer In	Interest	Collection Cost
July	\$288,860	\$9,995	
August	\$735,854	\$8,536	
September	\$8,499	\$6,072	
October	\$306,682	\$5,828	
November	\$588,911	\$5,553	\$8,553
December	\$7,267	\$5,528	
January			
February			
March			
April			
May			
June			
FY21 Totals	\$1,936,073	\$41,511	\$8,553

Treasure Valley Community College – Industry Sector Grant

This proposal seeks support for the development and implementation of an Airframe and Powerplant (A&P) program in the Treasure Valley. The grant funds will assist a consortium of partners to provide a Career & Technical Education program via Treasure Valley Community College’s Caldwell Center. Currently, there are no programs to help fill this void within the local market. Labor market data shows that in the Southwestern part of the state there were 47 job openings in the last 12 months for aviation mechanics. The goal of this program is to recruit and train a significant number of qualified applicants within Idaho to fill the workforce gap in the A&P field.

WDTF Request: \$440,174

Discussion:

Mr. Thomsen talked with CWI to ensure TVCC was not creating a competition between an in-state and out-of-state program. CWI is not planning to create an A&P program. The TVCC program will be conducted from their Caldwell location in a hangar donated by the City of Caldwell.

Will students pay tuition to attend this program?

- Yes. However, tuition will not come in until year two of the grant. No students will be enrolled in year 1 of the grant.
- Is this a two-year program?
 - Yes.
- Will all participants in year-two be carryover from year-one?
 - No. There will be two cohorts of participants.

- TVCC anticipates enrollment from two types of students. Those who need the full 2-year program and those who only need to complete a few courses to meet FAA requirements and to prepare for the A&P licensing exam.

What does tuition cost?

- The cost per students is approx. \$9,000 per year.

Are there other schools TVCC can partner with besides just Ridgeview High School? What does the program outreach look like?

- The first year will be used to get the program running. The next two years, TVCC will work on getting students in and paying tuition to keep the program sustainable. As they work on that they will start creating more partnerships with other educational institutions.

Is TVCC working with ISU on best practices?

- TVCC has been working very closely with ISU. A lot of the information TVCC has gathered has been in partnership with ISU and with industry.

TVCC does not have final approval from the FAA for the program because the FAA does not grant final approval until the program is running.

Motion by Mr. Cox to recommend approval of the Treasure Valley Community College Industry Sector Grant in the full amount of \$440,174 to the Executive Committee. Second by Mr. Larsen. Motion carried.

Paylocity – Employer Grant

Paylocity is an expanding company that is invested in the Idaho community. Many of the skills necessary for employees at Paylocity require formal training which requires a large investment by the company in planning, development, classroom space, and training delivery. Paylocity's formal training helps each employee prepare for their job duties which in turn positively impacts the company's overall performance and efficiency.

WDTF Request: \$81,000

Discussion:

This will be Paylocity's third grant request. On Paylocity's first grant, they did not spend the full amount of the grant. They used about \$790,000 of the grant.

How is the training in this grant application different from the training they have received in the past? Are the skills being offered transferrable?

- The training is pretty similar to trainings we have funded for Paylocity in the past. It includes payroll, processing W-2's, etc. All the skills are very transferrable.
- The trainees will receive a certificate upon completion of the training.

Motion by Ms. Griffin to recommend approval of the Paylocity Employer Grant in the full amount of \$81,000 to the Executive Committee. Second by Mr. Cox. Motion carried.

February Meeting

There are three grants that could potentially be submitted for the February meeting.

- We have been working with the University of Idaho on a grant that would fund a program to help training workforce for the nuclear industry (\$1.2 million). U of I is working with a company who has developed a new technology (Nuclear Molten Salt Battery) and CEI on an advanced NQA-1 program. They are in the process of finalizing their partners for the grant and working with CTE to develop SkillStack badge that would help create awareness and training students at the high school level.
- BSU is expanding their nursing program to include telehealth (\$200,000).
- International Rescue Committee is working with a few local employers to set up a pre-apprenticeship program for industrial sewing. (up to \$25,000).

Motion by Mr. Larsen to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2:44 p.m.