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Grant Review Committee Meeting Notes	
Date:	Tuesday, April 25, 2023
Time:	3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Committee Members: Brian Cox, Jake Reynolds, Jay Larsen, Jeff Greene, Jenni Bradford, Joe Maloney, Kelly Kolb, Rico Barrera (5)

Staff: Rebecca Watson, Matthew Thomsen, Thomas Morrison, Cassie Mansour

Guests:

Called to order at 3:10 p.m.

Welcome

Roll Call – Quorum not met.

Review Agenda – Due to not meeting quorum Mr. Thomsen led a discussion of the planning of our next few meetings, including the discussion of three grants next month.

Review March 28, 2023 Meeting Minutes

This item was moved to next month's meeting due to not having a quorum.

*Employer Grant Rubric Discussion

Mr. Thomsen invited discussion of the newly updated Grant Rubric Draft.

Discussion:

- After some discussion, the Committee determined that "Location quotient," "Detriment to state, region, or city," and "Cross border move to existing company" don't make sense in Negative Scoring Factors for the purpose of our grants.
- The Committee defined "Wage disparity" as referring to high top wages and basement level entry wages. We may not need this scoring section because this is addressed in other areas.
- The Committee asked whether we are giving numeric scoring, or how are we doing this?
 - Mr. Thomsen showed how we can decide whether a certain category in discretionary scoring is of High, Medium, or Low importance, and the point options that populate which they can award that category.

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- Is there any overlap with the quantitative funding model with the category of Training wage vs. County Average Wage?
 - This funding model is used to determine a per person amount and total funding amount. The use of this information on the rubric would be used to determine a rubric score so grants can be assessed based on their merits.
- We don't need to get too complex with this rubric.
- Can we test this rubric out before we use it? Should we do it against past grants or set up a mock grant?
 - \circ $\;$ We could take one of the recent ones to test out the new rubric.
- Could we use the new rubric with a "homerun" grant and with one that didn't make the grade too?
 - Absolutely. We will send out two previous grants and the committee can play with the rubric and see how they would score them now.
- Mr. Thomsen walked through the variable scoring tab as well as the Employer Info and Analysis which staff will fill out ahead of time.
- Mr. Thomsen also shared that the Policy Committee is currently examining the "In-Demand Careers" which means that the process by which we arrive at these could change in the next month.

Meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.