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WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

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Grant Review Committee Meeting Minutes – February 23, 2021

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

Staff: Wendi Secrist, Matthew Thomsen, Amanda Ames, Caty Solace

Guests:

Called to order at 2:02pm

Welcome

Roll Call – Quorum met

Review Agenda

The University of Idaho Sector Grant agenda item will be moved to the March meeting.

Review January 26, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Mr. Cox to approve the January 26, 2021 meeting minutes as written. Second by Ms. Griffin. Motion carried.

WDTF Financial Summary

WDTF Financial Summary - January 31, 2021	
WDTF Cash Balance 1-1-21	\$15,107,967
Revenue	\$342,942
Interest	\$5,389
Payments	\$40,693
WDTF Cash Balance 1-31-21	\$15,415,605
Obligated Employer Grants	\$1,107,411
Obligated Industry Sector Grants	\$3,113,356
Obligated Innovation Grants	\$134,698
*Obligated Outreach Projects & Allocated Budget	\$952,857
Short Term Financial Assistance Program	\$1,958,936
FY 20 WDTF Admin Costs	\$678,399
WDTF Obligated Balance	\$7,945,657
Unobligated Balance	\$7,469,949
Proposals Under Review	\$1,520,000
Unobligated Balance if all funded	\$5,949,949

*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	\$342,942	\$5,389	
February			
March			
April			
May			
June			
FY21 Totals	\$2,279,015	\$46,901	\$8,553

University of Idaho had to pull application because Premier was counting on funding through IRAP program which may be at risk based on President Biden rescinding an executive order authorizing IRAP.

International Rescue Committee – Innovation Grant

The International Rescue Committee (IRC) is applying for an innovation grant that will help start-up an industrial sewing pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship group sponsor program. Apprentices will receive nationally recognized Industrial Sewing Technician credentials upon completion of the apprenticeship. The program will leverage IRC’s connections with four key employers, training partners, and trainee referral sources to bridge the workforce and skills gap in the cloth manufacturing industry. The program will primarily benefit youth and adult job seekers. Individuals who may be eligible for WIOA Title I services as well as all interested and eligible individuals will be targeted for this program. IRC will actively recruit diverse participants, namely people of color, women, people with disabilities, and English Language Learners.

WDTF Request: \$24,999.70

Discussion

- Supportive of the collaborative nature of this model. Both employers and public workforce programs are engaged.
- Employers are strong. There are others that could benefit as the program grows. There is an opportunity to replicate the program in other parts of the state.
- Commerce has had interest from companies outside the state who are interested in reshoring their industrial sewing jobs in Idaho if the workforce is available.

Motion by Mr. Reynolds to recommend approval of the International Rescue Committee Innovation Grant in the full amount of \$24,999.70 to the Executive Committee. Second by Senator Stennett. Motion carried.

University of Idaho – Industry Sector Grant

This item has been moved to the March meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 2:25pm.