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WIOA Advisory Group Meeting Minutes September 17, 2021

Attendees: Matt Markve, Teresa Pitt, Dave Hanchett, Admir Selimovic, Deb Matiska, Amelia Valasek, Mike Walsh, Dan Cabrera, Shannon Brady,

Staff: Paige Nielebeck, Amanda Ames, Matthew Thomsen, Wendi Secrist, Sarah Nash, Caty Solace

Welcome – No changes to the agenda

Shannon Brady's last day with IDHW is today. She is taking a new role at Blue Cross of Idaho. The group is very thankful for her contributions to the team and are going to miss her.

WIOA State Plan 2022 Update

Discussion:

Section II. Strategic Elements

- (b)(1) Vision
 - Discussed the Vision section. No changes were made.
- (b)(2) Goals
 - Discussed the Goals section and made changes
 - See <https://wdc.idaho.gov/2022-wioa-state-plan-update/> for the changes made to this section.
 - The Council will be making a few small changes to the strategies at the October 2021 Council Meeting. The group will have the chance to look at these changes once they are approved by the council. The edits will be made at that time.
 - "Improving Public Awareness and Access to the Workforce System" – There is a lot of work to be done on this item. The pandemic has changed the way participants are accessing services.
 - IDOL has applied for a dislocated worker grant. They submitted the grant on August 31. They want to identify more technology-based tools to assist their participants. Mr.

Cabrera can do a presentation to the group in a future meeting.

- A hybrid model could also be wrapped into the rural delivery section. There is an access issue in some of these areas.
 - A lot of the target audiences have mobile devices even if they do not have a computer with broadband access.
 - “Launch a Comprehensive Virtual One-Stop Source of Information for Employers” – Mr. Thomsen and Mr. Butikofer did some research on using Live Better Idaho as the system. The cost was not feasible for the needs of Idaho.
 - The group has been making progress on this item but are on a little bit of a hold until Equus can get up and going with the Adult and Dislocated Worker services.
- (b)(4) Assessment
 - Discussed the Assessments section. No changes were made.