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### WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

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# **Outreach Committee Meeting Minutes**

Date: Wednesday, April 24, 2024

Time: 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

**Committee Members:** John Young, Anna Almerico, Donna Butler, Linda Clark, Janelle Culley, Allison Duman, Megan O'Rourke, Georgia Smith, Jeff Tucker, Bill Reagan

Staff: Wendi Secrist, Sherawn Reberry, Denise Hill

Guests: Maria Paluzzi, Alyssa Romero, Sara Scudder

Call to Order at 1:33 p.m.

Roll call - Quorum not met

Review Agenda – No changes to the agenda

# \*Approve January 24, 2024 Meeting Minutes – delayed due to lack of quorum

Outreach Activities Updates & Discussion

- Guiding doc approved in January
  - Idaho Connect

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- Platform that allowed virtual connection
- Last action "Pathful"
- Not a lot of participation
- Micron was helping pay for the tool
- Doing away with Pathful, using existing tools, cost savings
- Xtern this summer will be working on this platform, will reach out for videos, etc.
- Weekly Articles
  - Rebecca has been sending weekly email
  - Thoughts?
    - More than adequate
    - Articles are not filtered based on content
    - State Dept does weekly news letter also, CTE does also if want to incorporate
- Website Updates

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- Updating resource hub with sub-hubs
- Health care
  - Sum of it's parts, like a small city
  - Formed group to ensure things are coordinated and review
    - Policy
    - Education & training
    - Attract & retain



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- Apprenticeship
- Childcare, housing, mental health resources, transportation
- Collect examples and housing resources of tools and best practices
- One-Stop also in need of a resource location, next task
- Calendar of all resources coming
- Housing seems to be the biggest issue universally
- Social Media Updates
  - Very successful
  - Linked In, Facebook
  - The more we post the more audience grows
  - Business/ opportunity best received on LinkedIn
  - Success stories best received on Facebook
- o Resource Hub
  - Adult Launch there
  - Student Launch piece coming
  - More success stories coming
- Presentation Packet for Council and Committee Members June & Committee members
  - Idaho LAUNCH flyers, stickers
  - Get it in advance
  - Stock material
  - Combined presentation on LAUNCH & WDC
  - Fact & figures showing success
  - Quotes from recipients

#### Idaho LAUNCH Updates

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- Application Analysis, Students
  - Average annual wage increase \$15-25K
  - Adult LAUNCH is hitting the entire state
  - Adult LAUNCH 8425 participants
    - Closed April 1 June 30
    - Message on website
    - Started Nov 2020
    - Designed to help upscale
    - No wait list
  - Policy committee meeting May
    - \$10M last 2 years, number reducing
    - Need to decide how to prioritize, 40% has been truck driving
  - Student LAUNCH
    - 7308 Contingent offers
    - 7167 accepted
    - 181 decline or rescinded
    - 478 extensions
      - Started but never finished, sent post cards before deadline
      - Reasons for decline



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- Out of state school
- o No in-demand career
- Not attending school
- Non-eligible school
- Other scholarships
- Top 12
  - Nursing
  - o Business management
- Top providers
  - o 2-4 year institutions
  - Cosmetology
- Workforce Training
- Regional breakdown region 3 highest due to population
- Demographics will be a part of the grant management program

## • \*Career Pathway Plan – <u>decisions pushed due to lack of quorum, discussion only</u>

- o Forward thinking discussion
- o 135 districts chose Next Steps
- o 31 Senior Projects
- o 2 chose other
- Juniors and seniors can work on these
  - Career Pathway Plan
  - Get them into an activity to become familiar with terms in application
    - Middle school 8<sup>th</sup> grade 4 year planning
    - Use the shortened acronyms for all
    - Making the connection between career and program is more complicated
  - Toal # of districts charter schools?
- October is not far away changes need to be done now
- How many kids will not get over the hump of activities before adding changes
- o Can we build a program to help students understand In-demand careers
  - Kids aren't that narrowed down yet for their choice
  - What are similar or connected
- Next meeting share assessments
- Hold the course, graduation requirements are being updated
- Timeline
  - Share metrics over the summer so can review in August and for Council in September
  - Surveys coming as well from parents and students
- Next Steps Idaho visual

\*Outreach Grant

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Moved to future meeting

Adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

