Minutes

GSETA Operations Committee

05/01/2023

# Call to Order – Virgen Velez

1. Virgen Velez called the meeting to order at 10:03 am.
2. Approval of minutes: Motion – Monica Mulligan Second – Davidene Alpart.

# WFNJ/SNAP/GA – Alecia Eubanks

1. Only voluntary work activities are on the SNAP side. TANF and GA are not voluntary right now. The Sanction process is on hold. But the requirement to participate is still in place.
2. The sanction update is a system issue and will take some time to update.
3. SNAP minimum $95 system change was a higher priority. In addition, the skimming plan was a priority.
4. Alecia is not sure how the local areas are handling the sanction process. Local areas are still processing but the state is not acting as of yet.
5. The sanction pause is just for the TANF customers. The CWAs should be sending the sanctions to the state so there is a record.
6. Alecia sent an email as follow up to the last meeting.

# WIOA Title II – Danielle Jubanyik

1. PSI has had problems addressing the State’s concerns regarding the administrative functions.
2. HiSet testing is no longer allowed after May 31st.
3. Dennis Bone and Gary Altman met with the Commissioner of Education last week. Please plan to attend the SCALES meeting next week.
4. The HiSet has had nationwide problems.
5. Aztec has a relationship with HiSet and will be holding webinars/training from Aztec.
6. The NJ assessment process has been revised to allow TABE 11/12 tests again. A letter will be coming out soon. There is a NJ discount and if you would like information about that, reach out to Dr. Jubanyik.
7. Danielle will send out a link to the SCALES meeting later today.

# Health Care Apprenticeship–John Bicica

1. PowerPoint regarding the NJ DOL Apprenticeship Network
2. Federal Playbook for funding registered apprenticeship will be shared with Fran.
3. There is a related technical instruction piece to RA’s and the state can help out with finding an instructor for the related technical instruction piece.
4. Discussed apprenticeship healthcare occupations.
5. TEGL 9-22 and Apprenticeship.
6. Reminder that there is an Employer Engagement unit in NJDOL. Thomas Cassidy is the lead for the Employer Engagement unit Thomas.cassidy@dol.nj.gov
7. Virgen would like to hear about best practices in the apprenticeship world. She would like a how-to on apprenticeships.

# Adjourn & Next Meeting

* Kim Liguori would like more information on the new ETPL. There are a lot of issues that are effecting how we can serve our customers (in-demand, not in demand).
* Davidene Alpart stated that she would like a contact for issues. The training providers are not getting any messages answered. Additionally, Davidene has tried to contact someone too, and no one has responded.
* Chris Peake asked about the issues with the ABTs, and the WD-24 processing and asked if anyone else is experiencing the issues. Others are in the same boat.
* Meeting Adjourned at 10:48 AM. Next Meeting: The next meeting date is June 5, 2023.