Minutes

GSETA Operations Committee

01/02/2024

# Call to Order – Fran Kuhn

1. Fran Kuhn called the meeting to order at 1:04 pm.
2. Approval of minutes: Monica Mulligan motion to approve, Jaime Gomez Second. Approved

# NJDOL – Baden Almonor

1. Changes to Career One Stop website and the continuing use of New Jersey Job Source. Career One Stop is a federal page; however, it does have links to specific information in NJ. Job Orders are connected. NLX is a web-based product, so everyone has access, including job seekers. Additionally, NJ Career Central is also live. What is the vision for using NJ Career Central? Job Source is connected to AOSOS currently (which cuts down on the data entry required) and NJ Career Central is not at this point. All job orders need to go into NLX.
2. Issues with Training Explorer. Leslie Hirsch is aware of the issues, and they are working on getting them resolved. However, NJDOL needs to get back to people who are trying to connect with her office. Vendors are very frustrated. AOSOS is not visible to everyone (not to counselors or customers). We will see if Leslie can speak to the Operations committee in February.
3. The information that was sent by Edwin Vallejo cannot be sent any longer as there is no longer a relationship with Burning Glass. Fran will send information to Baden for follow-up.
4. New WFNJ NGO – Fran communicated with Michael McLean regarding this NGO specifically for WDB’s. The amount of time between issuance and due date is not feasible in relation to the end of the year. There is also no end date of the contract contained in the NGO however there is a link included and the end date is June 30, 2025. Fran will have a conversation with Kevin K. but Paul Grzella is not in favor of the extension.
5. Continuing discussion on application and impact of Co-Enrollment – The state is in the process of developing training on this topic. Concern is the timing with the budgets and MOU are. There are concerns about the duties of staff of One Stop and the responsibilities of the outside partners. Word is that the WFNJ and Title II will be first to be co-enrolled. Who’s responsible for the follow up role? Also is there any liability on behalf of the partner? There will be a workshop that is being scheduled. Each local area is unique so there will be information exchanges. Other states co-enrollment is automatically done through Employment Services.

# GSETA Professional Development Updates- Samantha Pfeiffer

1. Save the Date for the 2024 GSETA conference was sent out today.
2. Calling for volunteers for help with the conference.
3. Looking at expanding the GSETA Institute and professional development for staff.
4. Certification of Case Managers. Mary Ann Lawrence requires 12 months of experience before they can take the certification. Looking at adding training through Metrix Learning. Looking at rolling this out in late winter early spring. This is a certification and not a certificate of completion. There is also a NAWB package that should be looked at in addition to the NAWDP. Workforce 180 is only a certification of completion.
5. Is there plans to also implement a WDB member training program? There were conversations in the past, can we look at that again? Fran will bring up to Kevin.

# DFD Update – Not on call today but the following was discussed.

1. The status of TANF sanctions remains the same. Status Quo for right now.
2. Is there a way to blend the NGO dollars with the WFNJ dollars that we have been allocated. Michael McLean is not permitted to discuss the NGO.

# Open Discussion

1. Diane Paz of Morris Sussex Warren was asking about the ADA compliance issue. Most use the One Stop Certification documents around the ADA compliance. ADA compliance is supposed to be completed each year. Also, it must be done for all locations.
2. Newark invites you to their new One Stop location.
3. Atlantic has been working on establishing their new GED testing sight. Is everything working smoothly or are others seeing issues? No one is reporting any issues. Did anyone establish a line of credit for those customers who could not pay for themselves. It took work in the beginning, however, since it is easy for the customer. Discussion regarding costs for the GED and bulk pricing.

# Adjourn & Next Meeting

* Meeting Adjourned at 2: 30 PM. Next Meeting: The next meeting date is February 5, 2024 at 10:00 AM