

MINUTES

GSETA Operations Committee

09/02/2025

Call to Order & Review of Minutes

1. Fran Kuhn called the meeting to order at 10:02am. The minutes were reviewed and a motion by Davidene Alpart motion, Chris Peake second. All approved.

AI & Work Based Learning (WBL) MagicEdx – Dr. Christopher Nagy

1. Dr. Nagy presented the MagicEDx.ai platform.
2. There are currently 3 major Disruptors in the world: Robotics, AI, and Virtual Reality.
3. AI is much more than ChatGPT and others.
4. Students/Customer chooses their top 3 career pathways. Then it will identify the employers in those fields. They then ask their WBL coordinator to assist in getting an internship or apprenticeship at those employers. There will be a “sentimeter” into the platform that can gauge the customer’s mental health.
5. There will also be a built-in library available so that customers/students can learn topics that are essential to the job.
6. There is also a transportation feature.
7. Businesses will have firsthand the ability to build their workforce.
8. Fran: How are you assessing the individual in their areas of interest or their aptitude for those areas? One would be if they had been in a school program. There is also a list of questions that will be answered prior to entering. The students/customer also identifies their skillsets.
9. Christopher J. Nagy, Ed.D., M.A., C.A.P.P.
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Discussion: OSOS Management: Legacy vs. NextGen

1. Mark Vankampen cannot speak to the challenges
2. The new system is vexing to the local levels.
3. Title III has not had as many problems as Title I.
4. Kamlesh Patel is the person to contact.
5. Baden is aware of the problems. At this stage the state is fact finding and moving the common themes up the “pole”.
6. Poo Lin will try to keep us updated.

Discussion: WFNJ Work Activity Processes – Melissa Moody

1. Local areas did get the “promise” of funding but not NOA’s.
2. GA funds – GA/SNAP

3. Is there anything planned for the ABAWD retraining on work requirements? Desk guides, micro-modules, etc. will be rolled out soon.
4. ABAWD work activities effective February 2026. ABAWD's should be referred to a work activity now.
5. NJ was able to get a waiver because the NJ Unemployment rate was 20% above the federal level.
6. Now, due to HR1 the waiver is 10% unemployment rate.
7. ABAWD training for the CSSA's. It is not exactly accurate due to HR1.
8. There is no news regarding the termination of our waivers – whether they will be eliminated early. NJ has one in place until January 31, 2026.
9. Joan Desmarais – What are the reasons for bottlenecks at the local areas for ABAWDs attending an orientation? Some local areas have a cap on slots for ABAWDs.
10. Chris Peake – His area is facing the situation that there will not be services available after September 30th. What can he do as he does not want the clients impacted. Since it is not through any fault of their own, there should not be any impact to their benefits.
11. Will there be any guidance regarding the tracking of ABAWDs' work activity. There is not a tracking system currently in place. If the customer is participating in a work activity outside of the One Stop or WDB, it is the responsibility of the CSSA. If the individual is participating in an activity through employment and training, it is the responsibility of the One Stop or WDB (by the month).
12. How will we track a person who is working? They will need to bring in/report their paystubs to the CSSA. Every 4 months the person will have to recertify.
13. The ABAWD population is not that large. It is about 6000 individuals statewide. They must be coded properly.
14. CSSA should be sending the referrals via OSOS. If you are not getting the referrals, please let Melissa Moody know.
15. Every County CSSA should know how many ABAWDs are on their roles.

Industry Valued Credentials- Nanci Hiller

1. State representatives needed to leave the meeting.
2. Please read, TEN 25-19 regarding Understanding Postsecondary Credentials in the Public Workforce System.
3. You will need to set up a local area policy to address.

Program Success Stories – Open Share

1. Bergen survived transitioning fiscal agents and programs. Bergen would be happy to share this template.
2. Fernandel Almonor – presented at the Business Service conference in Colorado.
3. Fran – Building the Workforce for the Golden Age. Employers should be telling us what their needs are and we should be focused on what employers need.

Open Discussion & Updates

1. Meeting was adjourned at 11:22 AM.
2. There will not be a meeting in October due to the conference. The next meeting will be in November.