

Workforce Investment Minutes

South Central Oklahoma Workforce Investment Board

Executive Committee Meeting

April 8, 2008

Food with a Flair Tea Room

Lawton, Oklahoma

11:30 am to 12:30 pm

PRESENT

ABSENT

STAFF

Chris Pittman
Smith

Susan Stoll

Al Allee

Blaine

Walt Lentz
McPhaul

Bill Cunningham

Jerry Martin

Archer

Jeff Simpson

Lisa Thomas

The meeting was called to order at 12:12 pm.

Lisa Thomas presented information received from ASCOG requesting an extension of the Adult and Dislocated Worker Service Provider contract and contract modification. A brief discussion followed. Motion was made by Jeff Simpson, seconded by Walt Lentz, that a recommendation be made to the board to extend the contract for one year and make modifications to the contract as necessary.

Lisa Thomas provided an update regarding staff's progress on revising the Individual Training Account Policy to limit tuition payments to training providers to one semester at a time. Staff believes that current law, regulations, and state policy will allow this revision. Staff is looking into how this limitation will affect the "customer choice" requirement in the Act. Completed policy revision will be presented for approval to SCOWIB at its meeting on June 12, 2008.

Staff presented updates on the following activities:

Base Realignment and Closure (WIRED) grant – ASCOG has received \$250,000 most of which will

be used to pay the expenses to conduct planning to get the SOIC group to draft a final plan that will allow us to begin concentrating on regional oversight and to begin doing projects to achieve the goals of the plan. Ray Friedl is currently attending a planning meeting. He expects that 75 percent of the plan will be complete by the end of the meeting.

Oklahoma Employment Security Commission Incentive Policy – Staff and Center Managers have

met to begin planning strategy that will ensure the success of the Workforce Oklahoma Centers in meeting the requirements of this policy.

Youth Grant Amount for PY08 – ASCOG has been notified that the youth grant amount for

Program Year 2008 is \$539,000.00. This is an increase of almost \$30,000.00 over the PY07 amount.

Vice Chairman Chris Pittman had no new business to discuss.

The next regular meeting of the executive committee will be May 13, 2008 at 11:30 am at a location in Lawton to be announced.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:40 pm.