



Business and Economic Development Committee

Southern Illinois Workforce Investment Board

July 13, 2009 3:00 p.m.

MAN-TRA-CON

Family Opportunity Center

120 Southtowne Shopping Center

DuQuoin, IL 62832

Minutes

Members Present: John Alongi, John Rendleman, William Armstrong, Leo Childers, Robert Mees, Kathy Lively and Janice McConaughy.

Members Absent: John Hammack, Richard Morris, Jim McPhail, Mary Ellen Bechtel, Rex Cusumano and Rodney Cabaness.

MAN-TRA-CON Staff Present: Rosie Robinson

Call to Order

Committee Chairman Armstrong called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. Roll call was performed and a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Armstrong requested a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on June 18, 2009. Janice McConaughy made the motion to accept the minutes. Leo Childers provided the second. All members were in favor.

Orders of the Day

Chairman Armstrong announced the first item on the agenda was the application for Incumbent Worker training submitted by General Dynamics. Everyone was asked to review the project plans that were previously emailed. Ms. Robinson alerted the group about two possible issues prior to approval of the project. The situation was a discussion related to the training and the class attendance. Training has been ongoing since January for Calibration Training with their current employees. The college will determine the schedule for the remainder of the classes based upon the instructor's schedule and the number of enrollees for the class. This might conflict with the budget and the project plan. Ms. Robinson pointed out that all costs are subject to review and are simply paid based on reimbursement. The other concern comes from the DCEO and their advisement for us not to contract for IWT services past September 30, 2009. DCEO is waiting on official word from USDOL on the waivers submitted for PY'2009. A motion to accept

the application for Calibration Training with General Dynamics would be approved in the amount of \$5,120.00, noting the amount most likely may be less. The contract dates will

start effective July 13, 2009 through September 30, 2009. A contract extension through December 30, 2009 may be possible contingent upon PY'2009 IWT Policy changes from DCEO. John Rendleman made the motion to approve based on the recommendation with a second by Dr. Robert Mees. Motion carried.

The next item on the agenda was a request from Midwest Internet/the School Center for two more training projects. After these two requests the maximum amount of \$10,000.00 will have been met. The School Center will train one System Administrator for Systems Administration and one for High Availability. Once trained, these employees will return and train four remaining Systems Administrators in house. This project is estimated to cost \$3,998.00, excluding travel expenses, staff wages and fringes. Based on company size MAN-TRA-CON can offer 75% reimbursement which is \$2,998.00. Another training will occur on 8/4-8/6/09. Accelerbrate will provide training on location to ten Developers on Advanced PHP. Expected costs, not including staff wages and fringes, is \$7,745.00. The remaining amount that can be awarded is \$5,352.00 to the School Center for the year. John Rendleman requested to abstain from voting due to a conflict of interest. A motion to approve the two additional projects to the School Center in the amount of \$8,350.00 was made. Janice McConaughy made a motion to approve which was seconded by Kathy Lively. Motion carried.

In other matters, Ms. Robinson updated the members on the current projects with PCS, Noteworthy and School Center. Ms. Robinson also discussed possible changes under consideration by USDOL in regard to Incumbent Workers. Kathy Lively suggested the Executive Committee draft a letter of opposition on these possible changes. The committee agreed. Mr. Armstrong also added that based on the current circumstances, advertising the IWT program to the businesses in our region should be delayed until we have further notification and direction from the DCEO.

Chairman Armstrong noted there were no matters from the floor or public comments. A motion to adjourn was offered by Chairman Armstrong. A motion made by Dr. Robert Mees and seconded by John Alongi. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.