

Spokane Area Workforce Development Council Strategy Team Notes

One-Stop Team

Meeting Date: January 26, 2006

Location:

WorkSource Spokane – Evergreen Room

Members:

Arteaga, Frankie

Gray, Patrick

Iranon, George

Kogle, Gail

Lilienthal, Jack

Link, Patrick

Marchioro, Bill

Meyer, Julie Co-Chair

Mihara, Darrell

Nelson, Nancy

Odle, Susan

Pearson, Mike

Schoengold, David

Wilhite, Diana Co-Chair

Members Present:

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Kogle, Gail

Marchioro, Bill

Pearson, Mike

Arteaga, Frankie

Lilienthal, Jack

Mihara, Darrell

Nelson, Nancy

Millane, Anne

Staff/Consultant:

Baumhofer, John

Ingbretsen, Roger

Guests: None

Specific Purpose of Meeting: To develop a plan for implementing the Team's charge:

“One-Stop (Co-chairs: Julie Meyer, Diana Wilhite)

Relocate, redefine, and redesign the WORKSOURCE “One-Stop” for the Spokane Region

- *Form a “One-Stop Transition Team” by 12/02/05 (completed).*
- *Present recommendations/action plan to the executive committee by 03/02/06.*
- *Have the RFP for One-Stop operator out to bid no later than 04/06/06.*
- *Select operator by 05/04/06.*
- *Complete transition by 08/31/06.”*

Julie summarized the purposes of this meeting:

- Frame the issues
- Articulate the goal
- Establish a timeline, and
- Receive update from Frankie Arteaga regarding Employment Security’s processes.

Action Items Discussed: Initial discussion topics included the planned RFP, the decision of the number of centers, the location of the center (or centers) and the desire to be demand driven. Discussion quickly broadened to encompass determining:

- Who is the customer – job seeker, business,
- The needs of the community that should be addressed by the One-Stop,
- The purpose of the contemplated change – increase WDC/One-Stop visibility, increase market share, addressing High Skill High Wage jobs through demand driven strategies,
- The impact of Employment Security’s lease decision on the One-Stop Operator decision and the sustainability of the one-stop system,
- The many options that are available with no one best model.

Many of the same points from the January 11th meeting were brought forward.

Mike Pearson (new additional co-chair) presented his thoughts on the issues facing the WDC.

Open Action Items: The meeting proved to be valuable in identification of issues and information necessary to address needed committee decisions. Employment Security would prefer not to be the leaseholder in the Center building, and has not yet made a decision regarding their desire to be the One-Stop Operator.

Action Items Completed: Bi-weekly meetings have been scheduled with a goal to provide a set of recommendations by March 2nd. The consensus was that the one stop recommendations expected are much broader than Employment Security’s location decision.

The following assignments were made:

Everyone -

- prepare a list of things their agency/program is doing well
- things they could do better, and

- their role to improve the one-stop system

Frankie

- gather information on current users of the center and continue to work with Olympia regarding facilities planning and One-Stop operational policy decisions.

John & Roger

- present information of organizational models in other areas
- share best practices and sample RFP's (if available), and
- review WIA funding silos.

John

- Distribute the JDB Final Report as background of issues identified during the Employment Security lease expiration examination project.

Employment Security's current thinking is an ad for space – approximately 29,500 sq. ft. in class A – C building at market rate and expects other co-located partners to pay their fair share of facility (if Employment Security remains operator).

Next Meeting Date and Location: February 9, 2006, Career Path Services, 905 N Washington, Suite 300, 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m., (Receptionist will provide room location)

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