



V. **Authorize Expenditure for Data System – Action Item:** The WIB wants to utilize key workforce, economic, and education data to design local strategic initiatives and benchmark progress of those initiatives. To address this WIB members of the Planning, Organizational Development, Finance, and Program Oversight Committees and staff have reviewed different data collection system over the past year. Information on the data systems reviewed was presented and discussed. A recommendation and motion to purchase Strategic Advantage and the Job Finder from EMSI was made.

**Motion: Callighan**

**Second: Turner**

**Approved**

**Bates – yes, Becherer – Abstain, Burks – yes, Callighan – yes, Campos – yes, Hite-Carter – yes, Cressman – yes, Enriquez – yes, Fairgrievs – yes, Fehlharber – yes, Gibson – yes, Sáez Gimeno – yes, McGuire – yes, Morgan – yes, Mowris – yes, Nyhammer – yes, Phelps – yes, Podemski – yes, Ryan – yes, Scholten – yes, Swanstrom – yes, Turner – yes, Walker – yes, Williams, Mike – yes**

Dr. Becherer explained to the members that he is on a consulting board that financially benefits from EMSI, therefore he has abstained from decision making regarding this system. Dr. Becherer also recommended that an advisory board be formed to oversee the utilization of the data system, identifying and connecting data collected and reported to strategic priorities. Jim Ryan asked that the data be made available to educators in the area.

VI. **Summer Program Results Summary:** Mike Williams reported that 420 youth were registered for the Summer Employment Program.. Of the 420 youth, 279 participated in paid work experience, 71 of those youth were also “dual-registered” in the year-round WIA Youth Program, and 60 of the 71 attained their work readiness goal. The completion rate for the summer employment program is 82.27% and work readiness attainment rate was 69.55%. Over 80 businesses participated in the summer youth program, of which 4 were for in-school youth only. Staff made a total 396 work site visits for monitoring.

VII. **Financial Reports:** Dan White reviewed the financial reports for the WIB.

VIII. **Executive Director’s Report:**

- a. Darcy Bucholz provided information on the upcoming regional meeting to discuss WIA Reauthorization. WIB members are encouraged to attend. Paul Callighan will be attending. Anyone else interested should contact Darcy as soon as possible.
- b. Board members that are interested in attending the NAWB Conference in Washington D.C. in March were encouraged to notify Darcy Bucholz as soon as possible, but no later than November 30<sup>th</sup>.
- c. An update on Elevate America was provided.
- d. Multiple grant applications have been submitted to US DOL or other entities to implement various training programs in the 2 county area. The application process for planning and developing the grants has been a collaborative effort between the WIB and several partner agencies.
- e. Darcy Bucholz introduced Linda Sullivan who reported on the upcoming Disabilityworks conference in Rockford on November 12<sup>th</sup> and encouraged employers to attend.

IX. **Other/New Business:** The Individual Achievement Award was presented to Yasser Al Khatib, a former Adult program participant and current Refugee program employee.

XI. **WIB/CEO Adjournment:** The WIB meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m. by a motion from Dr. Becherer.

**Items included with the WIB meeting packet:**

- 1) 11/03/09 WIB Agenda
- 2) Consent Agenda
- 3) Summit Flyer

Trudy Jackson

Boone and Winnebago Counties Workforce Investment Board

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