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SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON

WSW Board Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2025
4:00 p.m.
Zoom Conference Call

Board Members Present: Corey Balkan, Adam Blackwell, Monte Constable, Corie Dow-Kramer, Karin Edwards, Commissioner Ferrell, Corey Giles, Elizabeth Gubrud-Howe, Mandy Kipfer, Bill Sauters, Matt Seimears, Ted Sprague, Paige Spratt, Adam Stein, Mark Tishenko, Jasmine Tolbert, John Vanderkin, Joe Vansyckle, Adrienne Watson, and Nathan Webster.

Board Members with Absences: Max Booth, Mike Bridges, Tracy Doriot, Dustin Hysmith, Ed Nicholson, Ebony Price, A.D. Simmons, and Commissioner Tischer.

Guests Present: Michelle McClanahan, Janel Loving, Victoria Pruet, Kayci Loftus, Andy Dwonich, Renny Christopher, Chad Sellers, Mei Taylor, and Barbara Burkart.

Staff Members Present: Mando Antonino, Jim Ashley-Walker, Barri Blair, Denise Elliott, Marnie Farness, Amy Gimlin, Joseph Tijerina, Darcy Hoffman, Alyssa Joyner, Lyn Love, Traci Williams, and Nolan Yaws-Gonzalez.

Welcome, Introduction of Members, Guests, and Staff

Vice Chair Corey Giles opened the meeting at 4:03 p.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance. Members, staff, and guests introduced themselves in the chat box.

CONSENT AGENDA

Vice Chair Giles entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of the minutes from the Council meeting held on June 10, 2025, Contract Memo, Policy Memo; which included WSW Attachment A – Eligibility Handbook, WSW Management Information System, Data Integrity, and Performance Policy #3044, two Email Vote Memos, and the PY24 One-Stop Annual Report - WorkSource & Next Certification Memo.

Steven Ferrell moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, second by Paige Spratt. Motion carried.

FINANCE

Treasurer, Monte Constable went over the Treasurer's Memo with the Full Board and gave high level updates. Board member Adrienne Watson has been appointed to the Finance Committee.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Governance Committee member Nathan Webster gave recognition to outgoing Board member Renny Christopher and thanked them for their long-standing commitment to the WSW Board. Nathan also

shared about the recent passing of fellow board member Nick Massie who will be recognized at the December board meeting.

WORKSOURCE ONE-STOP OPERATOR RFP AWARD APPROVAL

Director of Programs, Marnie Farness went over the timeline of the WorkSource One-Stop Operator RFP, the selection process of the Scoring Committee, the scoring rubric and the criteria that the committee scored each proposal. The criteria for the scoring rubric were the following: organizational experience & past performance, relationships & collaboration, proposal narrative, budget & budget narrative, and statement of compliance. Questions were answered by Marnie Farness.

Based on proposals, presentations, and discussion at the Scoring Committee's convening meeting, and Executive Committee approval, the Committee recommends the WSW Board of Directors award the proposal of Career Path Services as the next One-Stop Operator contract in an amount not to exceed \$325,000.

Mandy Kipfer moved to approve the Career Path Services proposal as presented, second by Joe Vansyckle. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY IMPACT – SUMMERWORKS/FLP

WSW's Associate Director of Programs Nolan Yaws-Gonzalez gave a presentation that focused on the FLP growth from 2020 to present and the summer 2025 host sites. Nolan also shared the data around the young adults that were enrolled in the SummerWorks summer 2025 and two sector spotlights. Questions were addressed by Nolan Yaws-Gonzalez.

COMMUNITY IMPACT – MISA/INCENTIVES/ECSA

WSW's Program Manager Mando Antonio gave a presentation around the Career Accelerator Incentive and Matched Investment Savings Account Impact for PY24. Data was shared on how many participants received help and success stories from participants were also shared. Questions were addressed by Mando Antonio.

CEO REPORT

WSW's Director of Business Services, Darcy Hoffman, welcomed the board to register and attend the State of the Workforce event that will be held on October 21st at 8am. Darcy also shared that the next upcoming board tour will be the Sheet Metal Workers tour that is scheduled for October 22nd at 10am. The next board tour will take place at the YWCA in November; an email will be sent out for registration with date and time. WSW's COO Amy Gimlin gave updates around the revamp of the WIT data system that will go live spring of 2026. WSW will be going through their 3rd party audit and the state WO monitoring for PY24 later this month. WSW staff furloughs will be ending October 1st. Also shared was the Vancouver WorkSource reimagine updates with executing lease, bids are out, and staff will be working in co-locations once work starts.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments were invited but none were forthcoming.

ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further for the good of the order, Vice Chair Giles entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:11 p.m.

Corey Balkan moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:11 p.m.

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