

**WDC Meeting**  
**Agenda**  
**August 21, 2014**  
**3:00-6:00 p.m.**  
**C.I. Shenanigan's**  
**Tacoma**

- Eric Hahn, Chair
- Jo Ann Baria
- Steve Brock
- Joyce Conner
- Louis Cooper
- April Gibson
- Darci Gibson
- Anne Goranson
- Scott Haas
- Dr. Charles Horne
- Russ Johnson
- Bruce Kendall
- Mark Knowlden
- Dr. Ron Langrell
- Vance Lelli
- Robin Lester
- Ruth Lobe
- Dennis Loney
- Mark Martinez
- Mary Matusiak
- Isa Nichols
- Ricardo Noguera
- Tim Owens
- Tom Pierson
- Robert Poole
- Barry Ray
- Patty Rose
- Thomas Seigel
- Deb Shanafelt
- Janette Simon
- Anne Sprute
- Kendrick Stewart
- Blaine Wolfe
- Michele Johnson, Emeritus
- Kathryn Nelson, Emeritus

1. **Welcome/Introductions**
2. **History has been made! WIA has been reauthorized! Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Passage – Recognition of and gratitude for workforce development leaders**
3. **WorkForce Central Executive Board update – Eric Hahn**
4. **Action items**
  - **Approve May 22, 2014 minutes**
  - **Election of WDC Chair and Vice-Chair**
5. **WIOA Transition Plan**
6. **Top Ten Happenings in Program Year 2013/Fiscal Year 2014**
7. **1<sup>st</sup> Force of the Future report 2014**
8. **WorkForce Central Response to DOL findings from April 2014 review**
9. **WIA Formula Expenditure and Obligation rate discussion with ESD**
10. **CareerLink participation**
11. **\$1.9M WIA Governor Discretionary funds for youth employment activities statewide – Youth Works WA**
12. **Other Business**
13. **Adjourn / Network**

Future meetings:

WDC Meeting	September 18, 2014 3:00-5:00 p.m.	WFC Cedar office
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**WDC Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**May 22, 2014**  
**3:00-5:00 p.m.**  
**WorkForce Central**  
**3650 S. Cedar St, Tacoma**

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Attendees: Eric Hahn, Patty Rose, Anne Goranson, Tim Owens, Joyce Conner, Darci Gibson, Mary Matusiak, Jo Ann Baria, Deb Shanafelt, Steve Brock, Isa Nichols, Anne Sprute

Staff: Linda Nguyen, Pamela Carter, Julie Sandstede, Madalain Merton, Marta Gronlund, Brent Capatch, Jennifer Thornton, Deborah Howell, Holly Watson

Guests: Brandon Rogers, James Walker, James Helling

**1. Welcome/introduction new WDC members – Eric Hahn opened meeting at 3:06 p.m.**

- Kendrick Stewart, Administrator, Dept of Social & Health Services Region 3, replacing Dan Owens, Administrator, Dept of Social & Health Services Region 3
- Mary Matusiak, Supervisor, Dept of Vocational Rehabilitation, replacing Esther Bennett, Supervisor, Dept. of Vocational Rehabilitation – Supervisor in Puyallup DVR, temporary Supervisor in Tacoma DVR, working in rehab services for 12 years, originally from Illinois

**2. Public Comment - None**

**3. WorkForce Central Executive Board update – Eric Hahn – the Board approved the WIA Youth budget & Adult/DW with the caveat that the WDC also approves.**

**4. Action items**

- **Approve April 24, 2014 minutes** – Motion made by Tim Owens, seconded by Anne Goranson. Approved.
- **Approve WIA Adult and Dislocated Worker Budgets for PY14/FY15** Motion made by Tim Owens, seconded by Patty Rose – approving budget and dashboard – most funding serves businesses and job seekers –
  - Businesses: 220 businesses served, 600 services provided, bring 600 job openings into system, 300 job applicants placed, 5 career fairs and maintain sector partnerships in healthcare, construction and manufacturing
  - Job Seekers: 19,500 will receive core services, 821 receive intensive and training services, 261 will be employed, 220 receive job retention/follow-up services up to a year
  - Not just WIA funding, there is also non-WIA funding such as \$5.5M with PacMtn to transition service members, funding for homeless families, some numbers are duplicative and leveraged funding is used
  - New investment areas: Manchester Bidwell, Small Business assistance, Service Delivery via Technology, Business Workshops, Chamber partnership, 10% mitigation

Approved

**5. JobFest Presentation – Julie Sandstede & Madalain Merton reported – job fair held at REACH Center from 2010-2013 serving 158 youth, and 21 employers on site, funding no longer available and outgrew space capacity; first annual JobFest this year will all volunteer committee, simple registration process, market and vet employers, outreach/press release sent to Tacoma Public School District and King 5 News did feature story to promote event, release also sent out to entire Pierce County school districts, Franklin-Pierce/Clover Park transported students, 107 youth participated in VIP workshops to research employers, write introduction**

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to employers, how to dress professionally, interviewing tips and resume writing, 263 youth turned in survey; 30 youth received interviews from employers and 15 received employment, employers want more youth ages 18-24 and not enough jobs available for ages 16-17. 63 exhibitors want to participate in CareerLink. Thanked businesses for supporting JobFest.

6. **CareerLink progress** – Brent Capatch reported – program piloted with Tacoma School District to get private and public employers connected to students, a list of WDC member organizations provided show who is enrolled and active, student interface has increased, more students participating, training was provided to counselors and teachers in which six schools participated to understand dynamics and how it correlates communication between student and employer, linked to Summer Jobs 253 - instructor Chris Seig; license cost is \$52K a year and time for staff to coordinate - come up with shared investment model.
7. **CEO Report**
  - a. **\$500,688 funding to work with long-term unemployed** – defined as out of work 27 weeks or longer, don't count in unemployment numbers; adding mental health piece partnering with Comprehensive Life Resources; offer paid internships or on the job training to entice employers hire; the state holds back 25% in anticipation of large layoffs, each 12 area WDC received funding based on formula from the \$4M available. The state workforce board will apply for \$5M funding available through DOL that also addresses the unemployed, WFC share would be about \$740K.
  - b. **\$2 million rapid response to mitigate WIA funding reduction** - ESD releases funding to mitigate for Dislocated Worker population to 12 WDC areas, the budget passed does not have 10% DW mitigation funds
  - c. **Funding pursuits**
    - DOL – The Growth Partnership of economic development, community development, workforce development, higher education, and K-12 have applied for grants from TAACCCT, have been three rounds – WA state received \$20M first round and \$11M second round, Bellevue received funds in round three, Pierce County applying for funds with the colleges for the Port of Tacoma in pathway development, transportation, diesel mechanics, and logistics.
    - H1B1 – WDC's partnering with Seattle-King Co. applying for \$10M of the \$150M available, H1B Visa's paid by employers, mostly IT related, advanced manufacturing, long-term unemployed individuals, assist with retraining or on the job experience
8. **Other Business**
  - a. WIOA legislature – WIA passed in 1998 and expired in 2003, the new legislature is bi-partisan, now the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, removes threat of not being reauthorized, more streamlined WIB's, reduces size of membership, business led, business chair, one-stop partners not mandatory, mandatory are core program Title 1 partners such as Job Corps, Adult Basic Ed, DVR, and can have 20% others; allows for state to be one single WIB, the Board sending letter to Governor to maintain local structure and flexibility and requesting a seat at the state workforce board; everyone under Title 1 will have the same federal performance measures, new polices being developed.
  - b. Isa Nichols – June 5 from 6:00-9:00 p.m.- MMA is re-launching/branding, fundraiser donation \$40.00
  - c. Mark Fischer – pilot program that transitions veterans into civilian employment with businesses, Boeing and General Plastic support – invite interested companies to teach program
9. **Adjourn** – Motion made by Tim Owens, seconded by Jo Ann Baria to adjourn. Approved. Adjourned at 4:10 p.m.