

Planning and Operations Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday July 20, 2023
Delgado River City Campus, 709 Churchill Pkwy., Avondale
9:00am

- I. **Welcome** – Tom Jones called the meeting to order
Board Members Present: Lisa Barback, Stephanie Brumfield, Aldo Duron, Rose Jenkins, John Johnson, Tom Jones, Luz Lobos, Rachel Mackey, Andy O'Brien
Members Absent: Thelma Ceballos Meyers, Joe Ewell Jr., Melissa Hopson-Sparks, Rod Nunez, Jerry Repka, Jacqueline Smith, David St. Etienne, Allison Thomas, Sara Waldvogel
Others Present: Darrel Lewis, Nedra McKinney, Deanna Stewart, Frances Turner and Dr. Vanessa Zimmerman
- II. **Approval of Planning and Operations Committee Meeting Minutes-** We did not have a quorum to approve the minutes from April 13, 2023. This will be an action item on the agenda for our next meeting.
- III. **PY23/FY24 WIOA Allocation** – Frances Turner briefly discussed the PY23/FY24 WIOA Allocation in the amount of \$2,735,466. She stated that all areas in the state of Louisiana have received overall massive cuts. Our operations were cut by \$441,000. The new allocation expires June 30, 2025. The new allocation will affect the amount of training we can provide to individuals.
- IV. **American Job Center Update** – Frances Turner discussed the Performance Measures. She briefly went over each quarter (referencing a handout in the packet) showing the areas where we did not meet the negotiated goal. A discussion was held regarding Training Providers. Tom Jones discussed the AJC Coordinator Position. He stated that it's currently narrowed down to (2) two candidates.
- V. **One Stop Operator Update** – Darrel Lewis stated that we have a Partner Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that is signed by everyone including LWC which is good until 2025. He discussed the Training Provider MOU's and stated we are currently identifying Training Providers that want to participate in the program as well. Darrel also discussed On-the-Job Training (OJT) and mentioned the upcoming Informational Session.
- VI. **Summer Initiative Update** – Frances Turner gave a brief update on the progress of the Summer Initiative. She invited the Committee to attend the Culminating Event on August 4, 2023 at the Alario Center. She also stated we will do some Touch Points through the year with the in-school youth who were enrolled for the summer program.
- VII. **Upcoming Initiatives** – Frances Turner mentioned the Hurricane Ida Grant ends on August 25, 2023. We need to locate other opportunities for those participants who were working under this Grant.
- VIII. **Open Discussion/Other Business** – A discussion was held regarding the Employer of Record, which is currently CSRS Inc. John Johnson shared with the Board that he really enjoyed his time with the Board but he is relocating and this is his last meeting with us.

Tom Jones requested a motion to adjourn
Lisa Barback moved to adjourn.
Andy O'Brien seconded the motion to adjourn.

MEETING ADJOURNED

