

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**OhioMeansJobs Lake County Partners Meeting**  
**April 3, 2014**  
**10:00 am**  
**Lake County Department of Job and Family Service**

**Partner Representatives in Attendance**

Carrie Dotson, Lifeline  
Dan Koncos, ODJFS  
Maggie Lynch, Auburn Career Center  
Gretchen Skok-Disanto, Lakeland Community College

**Staff in Attendance**

Leslie Ryan, Lake JFS

Daniel Koncos called the meeting to order. The meeting began with Partner introductions. The minutes from December 19, 2013 were reviewed; not enough in attendance to make a motion to approve.

Leslie Ryan reviewed the updated Balance Scorecard as of December 31, 2013. We had a lively discussion about our goals and our progress. During October through December we have taken steps to improve in areas showing caution. We have written three OJT's and are working closely with partner staff and training partners to coordinate OJT's.

Leslie provided an update about OMJ Branding. A press release was issued and we have a signage at the fairgrounds for an entire month to spread the word about OhioMeansJobs.

Dan Koncos talked about eOMJ and provided a fact sheet which details this virtual tool. We talked about anticipated requirements for youth. Maggie Lynch was already aware of this. Leslie talked about our upcoming Coffee Talk events which had been on hold. We have formed a relationship with Mentor Public Library and have monthly events scheduled through June 2014. Leslie talked about her involvement in the ETPO Focus Group. She attended a meeting in January 2014. The group is looking at ways to streamline and improve the existing system.

Leslie Ryan talked about the Healthcare Job Fair held in Mentor on March 20, 2014. Twenty employers participated and 61 jobs seekers were in attendance. The employers were impressed with the candidates. Dan Koncos talked about the estimated data for Unemployment Compensation exhaustees in each Ohio County. By the end of March 2014, we expect 1,788 individuals benefits will be exhausted.

Maggie lynch updated the group about their new building which is scheduled to open on April 7<sup>th</sup>. The building will house a manufacturing center for students. They are also pleased to announce plans for Great Lakes Trucking who will be housed at Auburn. They hope that classes can begin in June 2014. Welding classes will be held on Saturdays in the summer as there is still a demand for this.

Carrie Dotson advised that in addition to being the gateway to information and resources, they have money for short-term training. Gretchen advised that they are pursuing a TAA Grant and this will focus on welding. L. Ryan advised that she would assist by providing her with names of companies in our area who have welding positions. They are in the midst of formulating their Strategic Plan which will focus on addressing employer's needs. She is also involved in 2025 Planning for Youth with the Lake County Port Authority,

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 am.