

MEETING MINUTES
OhioMeansJobs Lake County Partner Meeting
December 10, 2015 – 9:00 a.m.
Lake County Department of Job and Family Service

Partner Representatives in Attendance

Daniel Koncos, ODJFS
Carrie Dotson, Lifeline
Vickie Cook, ODJFS
Marty Gareau, Small Business Capital Corp.
Mone Givner, ODJFS Veterans
Michele Stowe-Caya, ODJFS Veterans

Staff in Attendance

Leslie Ryan, LCDJFS

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. and each attendee was asked to introduce themselves to the group. The Minutes of the September 3, 2015 meeting were reviewed. Dan Koncos made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Mone Givner.

Leslie Ryan and Dan Koncos provided an update on WIOA. We are moving forward with the transition and will be providing regular updates as we get more information. The WIOA area designation is still on hold but we will be making the required changes to our WIB which will be renamed as the Workforce Development Board (WDB). Leslie Ryan reviewed the PY 15 Balanced Scorecard. This Balanced Scorecard was approved at the meeting in September 2015. We just finished the first quarter and we are on track.

Mone Givner talked about Veterans Priority of Service. She reports that we held a Priority of Service Training here on September 17, 2015 which focused on our triage process which includes coordination of efforts between Wagner Peyser staff and our Veterans Liaison.

Vickie and Leslie talked about our joint efforts to hold workshops at our OMJ Center each week. State staff have been instrumental in developing the curriculum which enhances our current offerings. Wagner Peyser staff are holding Basic Computer classes and Tips, Tools and tactics which focuses on Social Media. We have developed a Monthly Calendar which is also found on our website.

Leslie advised that we are still actively engaged with all of the library systems in Lake County. We have been holding recruitment events at these locations.

Leslie and Dan briefly spoke about our Rapid Response events. We are still engaged with Manitowoc in Cleveland. We have offered our assistance to the Cuyahoga County Rapid Response Team to assist with workshops and a job fair for the dislocated workers.

Mone advised that she had a conference call with the U.S Chamber of Commerce about partnering at the next Job Fair at Quicken Loans Arena. The Dept. of Commerce is holding Veterans Job Fair on January 26, 2016. Marty advised that the Small Business Administration is located at Lakeland Community College. Last year they approved thirteen loans which translated to about 150 jobs in Lake County. Dan advised that the State of Ohio is hiring seven trainers

state-wide. Carrie talked about the HEAP Program. They have served about 700 people already. Walk-ins are welcome on Monday, Wednesdays and Fridays and Tuesdays and Thursdays by appointment, however they are already booked through January 2016. The VITA Tax Clinics are being held for those at 200% Federal Poverty level or below. She is asking Partner Staff to spread the word as they must serve 100 people for this to continue. Leslie advised that we will be having an Interactive staff training on December 17th. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 am. The next meeting is Thursday, March 23, 2016 at 9:00 am.