

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**OhioMeansJobs Lake County Partners Meeting**  
**December 19, 2013**  
**10:00 am**  
**Lake County Department of Job and Family Service**

**Partner Representatives in Attendance**

Mary Spencer, LDDJFS  
Dan Koncos, ODJFS  
Ben Altumus, Goodwill Industries of Ashtabula  
Shannon McNoble  
Ronnie Marquez-Posey, ODJFS

**Staff in Attendance**

Leslie Ryan, Lake JFS

Daniel Koncos called the meeting to order. The meeting began with Partner introductions. The minutes from September 19, 2013 were approved; Dan Koncos made a motion; seconded by Ben Altumus.

Leslie Ryan reviewed the updated Balance Scorecard as of September 2013. We had a lively discussion about our new 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 talked about the OWIP (The OWF Incentive Program). This program provides incentive to the local area for job placement and retention of individual into unsubsidized employment. The goal is to reduce dependency on the OWF program. Participants are working with agency staff and Ohio Guidestone to achieve their goals. The participant and the provider earn an incentive stipend for gaining a job and retaining employment. We have approved three participants with several more who have gained employment and awaiting verification. Discussion was had about e-OMJ and DWT-NEG OH-27 Grant. Leslie Ryan noted that we have been measuring the "Taxpayer" payback ROI and this is now identified as a Performance Measure. We talked about WIA Registrations and referrals from Partner agencies. Placements have increased and this will be reflected in the next quarter. Our customer flow is steady but we are expecting an increase in traffic flow as a result of the UC exhaustees. We will target job seekers at events in the community, such as Coffee talk and Job fairs.

Dan Koncos talked about eOMJ and provided a fact sheet which details this virtual tool. 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. The first meeting will be held on January 23, 2014. Charlene Long from progressive will be presenting. We are on target to introduce the Statewide branding and will be submitted our proposed signage to the state very soon. Leslie talked about her involvement in the ETPO Focus Group. She will be attending a meeting in January 2014.

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. Dan advised that Richard Burke will be leaving here at the end of December and that Tracy Mayor has taken another job Ben updated the group about his youth participants stating that 45% are employed and three youth are in college. Workshop attendance has been low and they are examining that.

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