

MEETING MINUTES
Lake1Stop Partners
January 19, 2012 – 10:00 a.m.
Lake County Department of Job and Family Service

Partner Representatives in Attendance

Carol Darr, Painesville City Schools – ABLE
Matt Battiato, LCDJFS
Daniel Koncos, ODJFS
Sonya Holland, ODJFS
George Blasier, Goodwill Industries of Ashtabula
Maggie Lynch, Auburn Career Center
Carolyn O'Connor, Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission

Staff in Attendance

Leslie Ryan

Chair Carol Darr called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. and asked each attendee to introduce themselves to the group. Minutes of the August 10, 2011 meeting were reviewed. Daniel Koncos motioned for the approval of the minutes, seconded by Matt Battiato; all were in favor; motion carried.

Leslie Ryan welcomed Carolyn O'Connor who will be appointed by the Lake County Commissioners next week. Leslie also advised that Michael Cody, Lake County Metropolitan Housing and Martin Gareau, Lake County Port Authority have been newly appointed.

Leslie Ryan reviewed and discussed the Final PY 10 Statewide WIA Performance along with the current Quarter WIA Performance. We exceeded all nine (9) PY10 standards and are currently exceeding five of 6 Dislocated Worker and Adult standards and are meeting the Dislocated Worker Average Earnings standard.

Leslie Ryan reviewed and discussed the Lake1Stop Balanced Scorecard. This represents the first half of PY11 and we have already met or exceed five (5) of our goals. Work does need to be done regarding the OMJ Training to the Business Community. Leslie noted our continued success regarding our ability to deliver a formidable Return on Investment of our WIA expenditures.

Leslie Ryan reviewed the PY11 Quarterly Return on Investment Analysis where we boast a 466% ROI for the Second Quarter PY11 with forty (40) "exits" and explained the methodology of the tool.

The committee discussed future WIA funding allocations and that we have received some good news in that the House and Senate agreed on final FY12 funding levels which provide a total of \$2.6 billion for WIA. Leslie also reviewed a NAWDP Legislative e-mail update. From Bridget Brown

Leslie Ryan advised that we are now able to write "Formula" OJTs. An OJT Policy has been developed and approved by the WIB. We are using forms that can be used interchangeably with OJTs authorized under TRADE/NEG OJTs. Lake1Stop has written one (1) OJT from formula funds and nineteen (19) OJT NEGs. Leslie Ryan discussed our participation in an OJT

shadowing experience with Mahoning County. Leslie shared the OJT National Emergency Grant Management Report which details OJT NEG requests and obligations through December 27, 2011.

Leslie discussed Lake1Stop Workshop offerings and the recent revisions that have been made. "Jump Start your Job Search" orientation is still being encouraged but is no longer a prerequisite for other workshops. The Interviewing Workshop curriculum has been condensed and is now a one day workshop instead of two days.

Sonya Holland, ODJFS discussed the current status of the Reemployment (REA) sessions. For now, attendance is not mandatory in order for U.I. recipients to maintain benefits. This requirement will be changing in the near future. More information will be provided as soon as it becomes available. Attendance is voluntary and the sessions have been well-attended by eager participants. Sonya led a thought provoking exercise that will be used at an upcoming session being held at Lake1Stop on January 24th. The networking group is for individuals who have been unemployed for 99 weeks or longer. Sonya hopes to identify ten individuals for this session. A second session is planned for February. Individuals who are filing for unemployment insurance now will be entitled to 26 weeks; no more extensions are being offered at this time.

Leslie Ryan discussed our collaborative efforts with Mentor Economic Development and Bio-Enterprise. The Committee reviewed an Informational Flyer detailing the free employer services available to assist existing and growing companies in Lake County. Steris will be adding 75 new jobs to their workforce and Lake1Stop is prepared to assist them with their hiring needs.

Dan Koncos, ODJFS mentioned their efforts and proactive approach in holding voluntary UCRS sessions at Lake1Stop. He explained the importance of letting unemployed individuals know about the valuable services at Lake1Stop. They were commended for their efforts for promoting our services. Matt Battiato led a lively discussion about our local plan to address Pay for Performance for OWF Participants. He provided background information including possible sanctions. Margaret Lynch reported on the shift in paradigm at Auburn Career Center which will include training for jobs. Auburn held a Visioning Session that was facilitated by Lakeland Community College on January 11th. The findings will be reported in February. Additionally, Auburn will be developing career assessments. George Blasier from Goodwill discussed the challenges in finding worksites in the community for youth along with transportation for youth to work. Carol Darr, Painesville ABLE advised the committee that ABLE is gearing up for changes as it relates to GED testing. Tests will be administered via computerized testing in 2014. As a result the GED testing fee is also expected to go up substantially.

The next meeting of the One-Stop Committee was scheduled for April 19, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further business, Carol Darr moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m. the motion was seconded by Sonya Holland ; all were in favor; meeting adjourned.