



Workforce
Development
Board

Services to Individuals with Disabilities Committee

AGENDA

Tuesday, October 11, 2022 | 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Workforce Development Board Conference Room
119 E. Seneca Street, Suite 200B, Ithaca, NY 14850

Item

Call to Order

J. Matteson

Approval of Minutes - June 14, 2022
August 09, 2022

J. Matteson

Industry Speaker - K. Lisa Yang and Hock E. Tan
Institute on Employment and Disability ILR School,
Cornell University

Wendy Strobel Gower -
Thomas P. Golden
Director, Disability-
Inclusive Workplaces
and Employer Initiatives

Challenge/Mosaic

B. Seekins

Adjournment

J. Matteson

Services to Individuals with Disabilities Committee

The Services to Individuals with Disability Committee is responsible for advising the WDB on matters related to accessibility and the provision of disability services to One-Stop customers with disabilities. The Services to Individuals with Disabilities Committee shall also provide policy guidance as it relates to services to individuals with disabilities.

The Committee:

- Advocates for customers;
- Raises awareness of disability as a civil rights and diversity issue;
- Promotes collaboration between service providers,
- Responsible to ensure that training for staff on providing supports for or accommodations to, finding employment opportunities for, individuals with disabilities, and;
- Seeks ways to increase competitive integrated employment opportunities.

Members of the committee shall include:

- WDB members;
- Self-advocates for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities;
- Providers of employment services, including those who employ individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities in competitive integrated employment;
- Representatives of national disability advocacy organizations for adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities;
- Experts with a background in academia or research and expertise in employment and wage policy issues for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities;
- Representatives from the employer community or national employer, and;
- Other individuals or representatives of organizations with expertise on increasing opportunities for competitive integrated employment for individuals with disabilities.

Minimum Meeting Requirements: Bi-monthly

Tompkins County Workforce Development Board
Services to Individuals with Disabilities Committee

MINUTES

Tuesday, June 14, 2022 | TC3 Extension Center

PRESENT: J. Matteson, C. Stanley, C. Boone, J. Schifano, R. Bradley, S. Briggs

EXCUSED: D. Barr, J. Lynch, T. Fiocco

STAFF: R. Avila, D. Lovelace, D. Achilles

GUEST: J. Mouillesseaux

Ms. Avilla requested Mr. Schifano act as Chair in the absents of Mr. Matteson

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Schifano called the meeting to order at 8:41 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - April 12, 2022

It was moved by Ms. Boone, seconded by Ms. Bradley, and unanimously adopted by voice vote of members present to approve the minutes of April 12, 2022.

INDUSTRY SPEAKER - STABLEWORK Corp.:

Ms. Krizman and Ms. Decker Board members for Stablework Corp. is a non-profit 501C3 that is located in Newfield, NY that created a program to develop job readiness and subsequently help place individuals in volunteer or paid positions. Stablework specializes in animal care and related barn work vocational training for individuals who need additional support. Stableworks mission is to train adults of varying abilities in routine horse care and related farm-work skills and help them find work.

INFORMATION ON TRANSITIONAL SERVICES AND EXPERIENCES:

Ms. Lovelace reported to the Committee data on transitional services that are available to students with disabilities when they are leaving school after either receiving a diploma or the end of the school year in which the student reaches age 21, whichever comes first. Ms. Lovelace's presentation is attached.

REPORTING:

Ms. Lovelace reported data on WIOA Youth Program Year 2021 from July 7, 2021 to May 31, 2022. Ms. Lovelace's presentation is attached.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

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Services to Individuals with Disabilities Committee
MINUTES

Tuesday, August 09, 2022 | Workforce Development Board Conference Room
119 E. Seneca Street, Suite 200B, Ithaca, NY 14850

PRESENT: J. Matteson, C. Stanley, J. Schifano,

EXCUSED: R. Bradly, B. Seekins, C. Boone, D. Barr, J. Lynch, T. Fiacco

STAFF: R. Avila, D. Lovelace, D. Achilles

GUEST: J. Mouillesseaux, C. Kloppel

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Matteson called the meeting to order at 8:39 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - April 12, 2022

There were not enough voting members present to achieve quorum; the vote to approve the previous meeting's minutes was tabled until the next meeting.

DISABILITY RESOURCE COORDINATOR PRESENTATION

Disability Resource Coordinator (DRC) Cassidy Stanley shared information about her position. It is currently a grant-funded and intended for permanent funding through a different source in the future. Helping to identify that source is part of Ms. Stanley's job. Currently New York SCION funding helps pay for her services. An important aspect of her job is benefits advisement for Social Security beneficiaries, and she received certification through Cornell to be able to fulfill that role.

DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS PRESENTATION

Ms. Lovelace presented several current statistics on the rate of labor participation and employment for people with disabilities. Ms. Avila relayed to the committee that more county level data is needed. See attached presentation.

ITHACA HOUSING AUTHORITY

Cynthia Kloppel, FSS Case Manager with the Ithaca Housing Authority attended the meeting and shared information on the Family Self Sufficiency program and the

services offered to clients. She brought pamphlets and business cards for committee members and the career center to share with colleagues and the public.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 9:58 a.m.