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Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Telephone Conference Call
April 14, 2010
10:00 a.m.

Members Present: Mike Deggendorf, Matt Aubuchon, Tim Gallimore (DHE Designee), Gil Kennon, David Kerr, Larry Rebman, Robert Stein and Damion Trasada (DSS Designee)

Members Absent: Martha Ellen Black, Margaret Donnelly, John Gaal, Zelema Harris, George Lombardi, Chris Nicastro, Cheryl Thruston and Len Toenjes

MoWIB Staff: Nia Ray, Glenda Terrill and Monica Craig

Other Attendees: Julie Gibson (DWD Division Director), Melissa Woltkamp (DWD), Sue Sieg (DWD) and Keith Gary (MoWIB Member)

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Deggendorf at 10:10a.m., after experiencing some minor technical difficulties with the conference call line. At the request of Executive Director Nia Ray, a roll call was executed and recorded by Monica Craig.

B. Overview of 2010 State Planning Process

Chairman Deggendorf requested Ms. Ray provide an overview of the current state planning process. Ms. Ray explained that the Missouri Workforce Investment Board (MoWIB) plays a vital role in the state planning process by assisting the Governor in creating and developing the state's workforce strategic plan. She stated that DWD is requesting consideration of two issues: 1) supporting the acceptance of an automatic extension (which requires no action by the Board); and 2) informing the U. S. DOL of our intent to modify the current State Plan to reflect the NGCC module for final submission by June 30, 2010. Sue Sieg, DWD, stated that a draft of the Plan Modification #5 is expected by May 14th, for approval at the May 21st MoWIB Executive Committee meeting. If approved, a subsequent 30-day public comment period would commence on May 25th for final submission to the U.S. DOL by June 30, 2010. Chairman Deggendorf clarified that no further action was required of the Board until receipt and review of the draft on May 14th.

C. Program Provider Waiver Request – State Parks Youth Corps

Nia Ray provided an overview of this year's summer youth jobs program, *State Parks Youth Corps* (SPYC). She stated that SPYC, a partnership between DWD, the Department of Conservation and the Department of Natural Resources, is an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funded program that will provide employment opportunities focusing on green jobs in Missouri's state parks. Similar to last year's action by the Board, the

Local Workforce Investment Boards (LWIBs) and DWD are requesting the Board lift the current policy which prohibits LWIBs from directly operating programs. The Committee was offered two options: 1) to follow the waiver and exemption process outlined in the policy or 2) temporarily suspend the policy entirely with respect to the summer program. Chairman Deggendorf opened the floor to questions. With none being raised, Larry Rebman moved to lift the current policy for this summer's program only; seconded by Robert Stein. Chairman Deggendorf clarified that Ms. Ray was using the terms "lift" and "suspend" interchangeably. Melissa Woltkamp added that future summer programs funded by ARRA were unlikely though not impossible. Larry Rebman moved to lift the policy for future ARRA funded summer programs granted this materializes; seconded by Robert Stein.

D. Other Business

Ms. Ray stated that there were 36 members on the board including the newly confirmed Byron Hill and Wayne Feuerborn. She stated that seven additional members are needed to operate as a full board. Ms. Ray anticipates those vacancies filled by the September Board meeting. She also outlined the agenda for April 23rd's full board meeting with committee conference calls planned to continue discussions and revisions to the Strategic Plan. However, she noted several members may be absent due to the Missouri Association of Workforce Development (MAWD) Conference, scheduled April 21-23, and ongoing legislative budget hearings.

E. Adjourn

Chairman Deggendorf thanked the members for their participation on the call. Chairman Deggendorf requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Gil Kennon; seconded by Damion Trasada. The meeting adjourned at 10:37a.m.

Approved:

Michael (Mike) Deggendorf
Board Chair

Nia Ray
Executive Director