Oregon Commission for Voluntary Action and Service

April 13th, 2020
11:00am – 11:30am
Conference Line
To listen, call: 888-204-5984 Access Code 4726317

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Derenda Schubert, Sierra Barnes, Heidi Edwards, Shenika Cumberbatch, Michael Fieldman, Adele McAfee, Jayesh Palshikar, Elias Villegas, Nathan Rix

Technical Advisors and Staff Present: Karen Humelbaugh, Carie Bauer, Sydney King, Brittany Melzer

AGENDA

1.0 Call to Order & Welcome

1.1 Roll call conducted. Meeting called to order at 11:01am.

OWI Director Karen Humelbaugh gave some quick federal updates:

- New Executive Order is extending school year in person closure through the end of the academic year.
- There are other packages currently in Congress right now that may benefit us besides the CARES Act.

CNCS updates:

- Covid-19 program guidance related FAQs to allow for match waivers for 2019 and 2020 program years. We don’t have implementation plans from CNCS yet.
- There are questions about hazard pay and early exits that need further research.
- Discussing progress reports and due dates for members still serving.

Staff Updates:

- Once Amy is on-boarded in a more formal way we will discuss workflow and duties for Stephanie Solomon and Amy Holland.

General Updates:

- The program director, and board member calls are working great to get folks answers to questions quickly.
- HECC staff are continuing to work virtually, it’s going well, and the lease for the new HECC building was signed. The address is 3225
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Board Administrator
STEPHANIE SOLOMON
Interim Program Officer

Technical Advisors:
KAREN HUMELBAUGH
Director, Office of  
Workforce Investments

25th Street Southeast. There is a formal conference room there for board meetings. Free parking. More updates on that as we find out more information for board members.

2.0 Questions and Needs

Discussions:
- Commission member Edwards is meeting with Representative Bonamici’s office this afternoon. Director Bauer outlined the 500 million dollar emergency fund from CNCS. We do not have registered lobbyists for federal asks. Director Bauer will send out guidance.
- Next Monday’s call we should make sure we have quorum to further discuss drafting a letter to establish advocacy for this support on behalf of the commission. Between now and next Mondays meeting Director Bauer will work up a draft of this letter.

3.0 Public Comment

Each Individual/Group will have a time limit of three minutes

3.1 Public Comment
None