Snohomish County

Future Workforce Alliance Board Meeting

December 15, 2021

DRAFT PRESENTATION
Board Agenda

1. Welcome, Introductions & Overview
   • Amy Drewel, Chair

2. Discussion & Action Items
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   B. Business Solutions
      • Joy Emory, CEO of Workforce Snohomish
         • Requested Action: Approval of Future Workforce Alliance Motion 21-10.
   C. Adult/DW WIOA RFP for Additional Workforce Services
      • Joy Emory, CEO of Workforce Snohomish
         • Requested Action: Approval of Future Workforce Alliance Motion 21-11.

3. Information Items
   A. Workforce Snohomish Updates
      • Joy Emory, CEO of Workforce Snohomish
   B. Mid-Year Update: Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act Budget for Snohomish County - July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022
      • Joy Emory, CEO of Workforce Snohomish
   C. Youth Working Group Update
      • Rich White, Chair of the Future Workforce Alliance Youth Working Group
   D. Workforce Strategic Plan Implementation Plan Proposal and Next Steps
      • James Henderson, Snohomish County

4. Public Comment
   • Amy Drewel, Chair

5. Adjourn
   • Amy Drewel, Chair
Welcome
Amy Drewel, Future Workforce Alliance Board Chair
Agenda Overview & Roll-Call

Amy Drewel, Future Workforce Alliance Board Chair
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Discussion & Action Items
Future Workforce Alliance Board Minutes for September 16, 2021

Rich White, Secretary/Treasurer
Minutes Approval

**Requested Action:**

• Approval of the Future Workforce Alliance Board minutes for September 16, 2021.
Future Workforce Alliance Board Officer Selection for 2022-2023

Amy Drewel, Chair
Officer Elections

Future Workforce Alliance Bylaws:

4.1: The officers of the Board shall be a Chair, Vice-Chair, and a Secretary/Treasurer. Each officer shall be elected by the Board at a meeting during each calendar year.

   4.1.1 The Chair and Vice-Chair shall be a representative from the business sector.

   4.1.2 The Secretary/Treasurer shall be a representative from the business or non-business sector.

4.2 Election and Appointment of Officers

The Board shall establish an ad hoc nominating committee comprised of current board members. This committee shall present nominations for Board Officer Roles of Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary/Treasurer to the Board.

4.3 Terms of Office: ...two-year term or until his or her successor is elected. Any officer may serve more than one two-year term as elected by the Board.

Proposed Next Steps:

- Establish an ad hoc nominating committee to present nominations for officers to the Board.
- Vote to confirm officers at a special board meeting in mid-January 2021.

Requested Action: Establish a Nominating Committee for Board Officer Election (Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary) for the term Jan. 1, 2022, to Dec. 31, 2023.
Business Solutions

Joy Emory, Workforce Snohomish
Business Solutions

**Requested Action:**

- Approval of Future Workforce Alliance Motion 21-10 approve Motion 21-10 for Workforce Snohomish, to develop and deliver Business Services to support the recovery and resiliency of Snohomish County businesses commencing on January 1, 2022, with the provision that Workforce Snohomish remits a firewall policy to the Snohomish County Future Workforce Alliance prior to January 1, 2022, as required.
Adult/DW WIOA RFP for Additional Workforce Services

Joy Emory, Workforce Snohomish
Requested Action:

• Approval of Future Workforce Alliance Motion 21-11 for Workforce Snohomish to issue a competitive procurement for additional Adult and/or Dislocated Worker subrecipient(s), in order to extend service delivery in Snohomish County.
Discussion & Information Items
Workforce Snohomish Update

Joy Emory, CEO of Workforce Snohomish
Good Jobs Challenge

Description
• Economic Development Administration competitive grant to get Americans back to work by building and strengthening regional systems and sectoral partnerships to train workers with in-demand skills that lead to good-paying jobs.

Overview
• Partnership with Seattle-King Workforce Development Council, Workforce Central (Pierce) and Workforce Snohomish/Future Workforce Alliance.
• Proposal Due: January 26, 2021
• Scope of Work:
  o Sectoral Partnerships: Maritime, Life Sciences, Healthcare & Construction/ Infrastructure
  o Centered on Equity: Incorporation of community voice and lived experience, high emphasis on specific populations
  o Innovative Training (emphasis on earn to learn), interventions and supports
  o Emphasis on small business (supports), particularly women and BIPOC-owned
  o Knowledge creation, evidence/data, and systems transformation
Economic Security for All

Overview

• Economic Security for All (EcSA), announced in June of 2019 by Governor Jay Inslee, provided $5.9 million in grants to help fight poverty in Washington state by working with organizations in four workforce development areas to develop plans and sustainable activities to help lift families to above 200% of the federal poverty level.

• Program focuses on serving families enrolled in early childhood education programs.

• Future Workforce Alliance Board approved Motion 21-09 for Workforce Snohomish to issue an RFP for a provider to develop and implement a service model focused on serving low-income (200% of federal poverty level) families.

Update

• Completed first draft of Asset Map, documenting re-training and/or re-employment (government) programs.

• Continuing discussions with Human Services Snohomish County to design a program to serve families with young children.

• No planned date for release of subrecipient RFP at this time.
Governor’s Designation WIOA Priority Populations

- Initiated by Washington Workforce Association members.
- Adds several populations to the WIOA Title I focus populations.
- Next steps: Development of policies to support implementation of this designation, including proposed performance measures and expectations for updating local and state plans.

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Mid-Year Update: Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act Budget for Snohomish County - July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022

Joy Emory, CEO of Workforce Snohomish
PY21 Budget Summary

• Increase in WIOA formula funding ~+30% for 2021 due to high unemployment and long-term unemployed in County.
  • PY21: $5,031,127; PY20: $3,854,655. Increase of $1.18M (31%).

• Focus is on diversified funding strategies that align with and advance Future Workforce Alliance and Workforce Snohomish strategic priorities around job seeker, employer and strategic partnerships.

• $300,000 of budget allocated to support research and analysis, workforce system development, and FWA Strategic plan implementation.
  • 1 FTE to be hired by Workforce Snohomish to support data compliance and analytics.

• Ensure programs receive increased funding to address demand for services of job seekers, youth and businesses and support/enhance compliance.

• Be a good steward of our financial resources, given continued uncertainty pertaining to the pandemic and economic conditions.
Workforce Snohomish Funding Streams

**Workforce Snohomish Funding Classifications**

- **WIOA Cluster**
  - WA State allocation of WIOA funds from DOL for Youth, Adult, DW and Admin. Also includes WIOA fund set-aside (25% of DW) for Rapid Response and Governor’s Discretionary Projects.

- **Local Workforce Development Board (LWDB)**
  - Funding in which grant (direct or subaward) is predicated on LWDB.

- **501c3 – Non-profit status**
  - Funding obtained from various sources (federal, state and private) with the only requirement being that the organization is a non-profit.

- **Unrestricted Funding**
  - Funding obtained from various sources for which the donor has not placed any restrictions on its usage.
WIOA and Federal Grant PY21 Q1 Forecast Spending

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Cluster
$4,237,933

WIOA Formula Allocations
Youth: $1,252,460
Adult: $1,362,098
Dislocated Worker: $1,904,145
Admin: $637,606

Local Workforce Development Board – Grants
$2,607,402

- Dislocated Worker Grants (DWG) – ending May 2022
  - Employment Recovery
  - Disaster Recovery $1,802,650
- Economic Security for All (EcSA) (poverty reduction) $191,170
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Hunger Relief $519,314
- NHE Opioid (ended July 2021) $45,698
- Rapid Response Initiative 4 (Extension) – ending Dec 2021 $48,570
### Workforce Snohomish PY21 Q1 Operating Forecast

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**Note:** Net Operating Income represents unobligated subrecipient funds that either be obligated in the future or carried forward to next year.
Youth Working Group

Rich White, Youth Working Group Chair
Statement of Work & Understanding

• Identifies and develops strategic recommendations to create pathways to economic success for youth (ages 14-24) and assisting the FWA in developing and recommending employment and training strategies for Snohomish County’s youth.

• Responsibilities of the Youth Work Group includes:
  o Identify and recommend local youth employment and training policy and practice to develop talent for Snohomish County employers;
  o Facilitate, convene, and build a culture of collaboration among Youth workforce system partners;
  o Identify financial and programmatic resources such as grants to advance youth education and skill training;
  o Evaluate a range of issues that impact young people’s success in the labor market and work with appropriate partners to overcome issues and challenges; and
  o Identify and support a common tool of measurement for impact.
Workforce Strategic Plan Implementation Plan Proposal and Next Steps

James Henderson, Snohomish County
Defining a Gold-Standard Workforce System

A Gold Standard Workforce System

- **Ensures** equity and inclusion inform all aspects of the development and implementation of the workforce system.

- **Coordinates** programs to support economic opportunity by bringing together employers, training providers, economic development and workforce organizations, and community organizations together to determine the needs of businesses and workers.

- **Uses data** to drive decision-making and support continuous improvement and performance measurement.
Board Member Discussion Findings

Strategic Plan

• Pleased with the strategic planning process and report.
• Need to revisit timeline and strengthen metrics to support implementation.

Implementation: Key Considerations

• Implement quickly and broaden support for the plan.
• Identify “most urgently needed actions” and align stakeholders to support implementation.
• Develop timelines, objectives and strong metrics to track progress and show we are “moving the needle”.
• Build a system to reinforce equity and inclusion.
• Include the rural areas. They lack transportation and broadband to support workforce development and job creation.
• Engage K-12 educators in a meaningful way to support implementation.
• Establish the strategy as a continuous plan that is revisited annually to incorporate new ideas or a changing environment.
• Hold industry specific listening sessions and site visits to better understand business needs.
• Incorporate “pollinators” of good ideas into actions to support implementation.
Proposed Next Steps & Discussion

• Develop an Implementation Plan
  ▪ Engage workforce stakeholders and community organization to design the implementation plan based on the action plan strategies and recommendations.
  ▪ Prioritize projects for strategy implementation and develop timelines.
  ▪ Identify key partners to support implementation.
  ▪ Develop a dashboard and strong metrics to track progress.

• Establish a Workforce System Transformation Committee
  ▪ Provide strategic oversight to support implementation of the workforce strategic plan and implementation framework.
  ▪ Create goal area working groups to support implementation and foster coordination and engagement.
  ▪ Identify and incorporate best practices, track implementation, and annually assesses implementation plan to incorporate new ideas or a changing environment.
Proposed Implementation Structure

**Workforce System Transformation Committee**
- Chaired by the FWA Vice Chair
- Members: FWA Board, workforce stakeholders, educators, businesses, and community-based organizations.

**Strategy Goal Area Working Groups**
- Collaboration Building
- Job Growth & Diversification
- Cultivate Talent & Skill Development
- Youth

**Goal Area Working Groups**
- Chaired by FWA Board Members
- Members: FWA Board, workforce stakeholders, educators, businesses, and community-based organizations.

**Structure Overview**
- Committee and working groups would provide quarterly updates to the Board about implementation progress.
- Regular convening of stakeholders to support implementation, review metrics, track progress, discuss ways to overcome barriers, and incorporate best practices.
- Existing Youth Working Group would be included in the structure to support implementation.
Proposed 2022 Board Schedule

Board Meetings
• Maintain quarterly board meeting schedule (March, June, September & December) to support contracts and WIOA activities.

Information Sessions
• Schedule information sessions between board meetings with key industry businesses, workforce stakeholders, community organizations, and educators to better understand workforce needs.

Committee & Workforce Meetings
• Scheduled as needed to develop the implementation plan and support strategy implementation.

Strategy Retreat
• Hold an annual retreat with board members and stakeholders in October/November to review strategy progress to date, lessons learned, and opportunities for continuous improvement.
Public Comment

Amy Drewel, Chair
Adjourn

Amy Drewel, Chair

Special Board Meeting in mid-January to elect officers.