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WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

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Workforce Development Policy Committee Meeting Minutes – November 21, 2023

Committee Members: Hope Morrow, Lori Barber, Christi Gilchrist, ~~Jason Hudson~~, Tom Kealey, Clay Long, Daniel Puga, ~~Jani Revier~~ (Kristyn Carr Proxy), Tom Schultz, John Smith, ~~Scott Bedke~~

Staff: Wendi Secrist, Sherawn Reberry, Rebecca Watson, Matthew Thomsen, Kimberly Gardner

Guests: Bailey Woolf of Benn Brocksome & Associates, Surina Piyadasa

Call to Order at 2:02 p.m.

Roll Call – Quorum met.

Review Agenda

Motion to remove line item “Recommend Legislative Priorities to Council” from Agenda by Mr. Puga, seconded by Mr. Kealey. Motion carried.

****Review October 23, 2023 Meeting Minutes***

Motion by Ms. Lori Barber to approve October 23, 2023 Meeting Minutes as written. Second by Mr. Tom Schultz. Motion carried.

Discussion on Gap Analysis for Adult LAUNCH Courses

Dr. Reberry presented ways to categorize courses to clearly be able to discuss gap analysis.

- Categorize courses according to credentials.
- Standalone courses that lead to a credential.
- Courses that don't lead to a credential but lead to readiness for a nationalized test.
- Discussion ensued regarding the gap analysis:
 - The committee would like to see which courses have had no utilization and which had high utilization.
 - How many apprentices who use Launch to attend year 1, continue forward to years 2-4?

Updates for Idaho LAUNCH

- Adults
 - Ms. Secrist and Dr Reberry discussed Idaho LAUNCH usage.
 - The Council will make decisions at the December meeting regarding the LAUNCH monies.

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- Dr Gardner presented changes to the LAUNCH data from the October report.
- Dr. Reberry asked the committee to consider the alignment between the Adult and Student LAUNCH programs. This discussion will be held in January.
 - If there are differences between the two staff will still be able to work with the separate programs.
 - Traditional vs non-traditional options
 - Staff asked the Committee to think forward to the conversation of alignment between adult and student LAUNCH.
 - A continuum would be helpful.
 - Any time we can show a cohesive ecosystem we benefit.
 - How would we distinguish between the two? Branding?
 - These systems are related but a little bit different in that they are directed at different audiences.
- Students
 - Dr. Reberry shared that the LAUNCH staff have been working with schools, staff, counselors, administrators, and students throughout the state.
 - We have sent out letters to students who have started but not finished their applications.
 - We continue to work with institutions to make sure they are ready to serve these students.

****Discussion and Action on Draft Frameworks for December Council***

- Meeting Recommendations
- Appeals
- Recapture of Grant Funds
 - The Committee discussed the language of the policy. We need to be data driven. Is there a data set that would give us the info we need?

Motion to change language of Draft Framework as presented by Mr. Dan Puga. Seconded by Ms. Lori Barber. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Dan Puga to adjourn. Second by Mr. Tom Kealey. Motion carried. Adjourned at 2:41 p.m.