



MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 217
February 12, 2018

Board Members Present:

Perry England, Chair
Beth Thew, Vice Chair, Representing Labor
Creigh H. Agnew, Representing Business
Caitlyn Jekel for Jeff Johnson, Representing Labor
Gary Chandler, Representing Business
Greg Christiansen, Representing Labor
Lee Anne Caylor, Representing Business
Mark Mattke, Representing Local Government
Rebecca Wallace, for Chris Reykdal, Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI)
Jan Yoshiwara, State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC)
Marie Bruin for Dale Peinecke, Employment Security Department (ESD)
Carolyn McKinnon, for Brian Bonlender, Department of Commerce (Commerce)

Board Staff Present

Eleni Papadakis, Executive Director

Welcome and Introductions

Mr. Perry England called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. via conference call.

Ms. Victoria DeBoer announced that the State Auditor's Office will be conducting an "accountability" audit, which is a routine audit that will look at state legal compliance requirements. The Auditor has mentioned interest in cash receipts and the Private Vocational School areas of the agency, but staff does not yet have the Auditor's audit plan or agenda. The Auditor's Office requires that the Board be invited to participate in the audit entrance meeting, and the Board can be expecting an invitation to that when it is scheduled.

Approval to Release the DRAFT Revised Combined State Plan for Public Comment

Mr. Eric Wolf informed the Board that recent guidance from the federal agency partners confirmed the due date for the revised state strategic plan for workforce development will be March 15, 2018. He then walked the Board through the revision process to date. He noted that States are not expected to draft an entirely new strategic plan with different goals and initiatives. The expectation communicated by both the Board and from our federal agency partners has consistently been that this update process is an opportunity for small-course corrections instead of large revisions. At the October 2017 meeting, the Board expressed confidence that TAP's goals were largely aligned with their current vision for the workforce system. Mr. Wolf then went over the Draft Revised Combined State Plan (TAP). He noted that the largest change to the

plan concerns the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) entering into Order of Selection (OOS). In response to questions from the Board, Mr. Wolf indicated that partner agencies will not be expected to update their portions of the plan to specifically address DVR but that OOS will be addressed as a system issue in the strategic portion of the plan. The Board asked DVR Director, Rob Hines, some clarifying questions regarding Order of Selection, specifically how many of DVR's customers are affected and what that looks like for the rest of the system. Mr. Hines responded that about half of VR services are currently in OOS and Mr. Wolf responded that working groups of partners have been established to look at how the system can support customers impacted by OOS.

Motion 2018-218-01: Ms. Beth Thew moved to approve the release of the draft combined state plan for public comment.

Mr. Wolf informed the Board that the public comment period will remain open until March 12 and that while comment summaries will be sent to them in their Board packet, the final version of the revised plan and summary of public comments will not be available until shortly before their next Board meeting on March 14.

Ms. Creigh Agnew seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

The Board discussed the timeline for local plan revisions and were informed that local areas can expect to do an examination and update of their plans around the summer of 2018.

The meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.