

MID-COLUMBIA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, March 26, 2013 1:10 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Board Room, 1113 Kelly Avenue, The Dalles, Oregon

ORIGINAL

2013 Board of Directors:

Gilliam County: *Mike Weimer, Steve Shaffer
Hood River County: *Maui Meyer, Les Perkins.
Sherman County: *Michael Smith, Cliff Jett, Tom McCoy
Wasco County: *Rod Runyon, Steve Kramer, Carolyn Wood
Wheeler County: *Chris Perry, Jack Lorts, Anne Mitchell
(*denotes Executive Committee Members)

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Roll Call and Introductions

Michael Smith called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

Present: Mike Weimer, Steve Shaffer, Cliff Jeff, Michael Smith, Tom McCoy, Rod Runyon, Steve Kramer, Anne Mitchell, and Chris Perry.

Absent: Maui Meyer, Les Perkins, Ed Weathers, Carolyn Wood and Jack Lorts.

Staff: John Arens, Executive Director; Sarah Braumbaugh, Fiscal Director; Holli Francis, WIA Director; and Tine Meriwether, Executive Assistant.

Guests: Anthony Rizzi, The Dalles Meals on Wheels Board member.

B. Approval of February 26, 2013 Minutes

Rod Runyon moved, seconded by Cliff Jett, to approve the minutes. Discussion: A correction was noted that page 1 of the minutes does not reflect the election of the Board Chair, Michael Smith. Also, page 3, paragraph 3, needs clarification with regards to the discussion about the \$50K loan to the Area Agency on Aging and where that money comes from. Minutes need to be corrected and brought back for approval at the next meeting.

Following discussion, Runyon withdrew his motion to approve the minutes, Jett withdrew his second.

Minutes are tabled until the next Board meeting.

II. WORKSESSION

A. Overview of MCCOG Programs and MCCOG Mission

John Arens, Executive Director, presented a PowerPoint to the Board. Arens reviewed how MCCOG was established and the purpose of the MCCOG agency. MCCOG represents the five counties known as Region 9.

Arens discussed how the MCCOG programs are formed such as the newly created StRUT Program (Students Recycling Used Technology). Staff made the recommendation to create the program and the Board of Directors approved it.

Board binders will be distributed to the Board at the next meeting that further clarifies MCCOG and provides helpful information for Board members. This information will eventually be uploaded onto the MCCOG website so Board Books will no longer be needed.

B. Update on WIA Program – Holli Francis, WIA Director

Holli Francis, WIA Director, addressed the Board and presented her report as provided in the Board packets. She reviewed the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Services which include Adult and Dislocated Worker, Youth Services and NCRC, and the Contracted Services which include Jobs (cash grant recipients), OFSET(Food Stamp recipients), and Vocational Rehabilitation Job Club (job readiness training), and District 21 Youth Transition Program Job Club. Francis reviewed the number of clients served as noted in her report. The calendar included in the report represents the classes provided to clients who qualify for services. In conclusion, Francis invited the Board to follow WIA on Twitter (<http://twitter.com/#!/MCCOGWorksource>).

A brief discussion on funding was discussed. Francis reported future funding levels are difficult to predict at this time; a 5% reduction with the Sequester is anticipated. She is anticipating additional funding from the State for the Worker's Community Initiative and the NCRC. Francis hopes there will be funds for the on-the-job training activity.

Arens stated his goal is to have a Program Director at each Board meeting to give a report on their program and what they are working on. Staff will be looking into the virtual classroom opportunity with Frontier regions and identifying host computer sites.

Arens resumed the review of his PowerPoint presentation reviewing the AAA, Transportation, Building Codes and Six Rivers Mediation program services as outlined in his report. He briefly discussed Six Rivers funding, background, and the USDA statewide foreclosure program.

C. 10 Year Revenue History FYE 2003-2012

Sarah Brumbaugh, Fiscal Director, presented a PowerPoint report on MCCOG's revenue history. She reviewed the various programs and their funding sources.

Staff will forward the PowerPoint presentations to the Board via e-mail.

D. Schedule Next Meeting


The next Board meeting will be held on April 16, 2013 after the Budget Committee meeting, at 1:15 p.m.

III. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the MCCOG Board of Directors, Jett moved, seconded by Steve Kramer, to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

ATTEST:



Tine Meriwether, Executive Assistant



Michael Smith, Board Chair