

**Workforce Innovation Board of Ramsey County
Partnership & Outreach Committee Meeting Minutes**

January 11, 2022, 3:00-4:00pm
Via Zoom Video Conference

Committee Members Present	Members Absent	Staff/Guests Present
Chris Duffy Susan Jambor Trish Stevens Julie Thiel		Ling Becker, Ramsey County Mariann Macalus, Ramsey County Becky Milbrandt, Ramsey County De’Vonna Pittman, CEI

Call to Order & Land Acknowledgement

Duffy called the meeting to order at 3:05pm and read the land acknowledgement aloud.

Approve November Minutes

Motion (Jambor/Thiel) to approve the November 9, 2021, meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously by chat vote.

Conflict of Interest Statement

Duffy asked everyone to review the statement and e-sign and return the form to Milbrandt.

Action Planning

Becker gave a summary of the October action planning session and the work done up to this point. She then introduced Pittman who shared the main points obtained from various small group discussions during the planning session. Committee members then brainstormed action items for the next two years, which resulted in the following:

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Action	Timing	
Lead Labor Market Information (LMI) community conversations on specific impacted groups (“Untapped” Series”)	Q1-Q2 2022	Employer Engagement and Support System Innovation Culturally Responsive Leadership
Support Industry Futures events	On-going	Employer Engagement and Support Systems Alignment and Support
Share and communicate other WIB and WIB Committees’ initiatives	On-going	Systems Alignment and Support
Provide general feedback for Workforce Solutions communication materials as needed	On-going	Systems Alignment and Support
Support Healthcare Career Pathway community event	Q2 2022	Employer Engagement and Support Systems Alignment and Support

Committee Work Plan/Project Update

2021 Annual Report: Milbrandt shared the theme of “Building Connections” and stated the report will be on the County’s open data portal. She also shared a draft of the report header graphic and asked for feedback. She will send out another draft incorporating the suggestions provided.

Real Time Talent Partnership: Becker shared the highlights and purpose of the partnership. She indicated that some of the plans for 2022 are already in motion and will be embedded in some work plans.

Health Care Month Events: Milbrandt shared resources and events happening in January for Health Care Month. Ramsey County, the St. Paul Area Chamber and the WIB are hosting a Healthcare Futures event

for workforce professionals on January 28. A Healthcare Month page has been created on the Ramsey County website for everyone to read about and share.

Director Update

Federal Trial – East Building Relocation Plans: Becker shared Ramsey County’s plans for shifting resident services to Metro Square and staff to Plato over the next six to eight weeks during the trial. *Good Jobs Challenge:* Becker stated that the Good Jobs Challenge grant is workforce focused on underserved populations and areas, communities of color, women and other groups facing labor market barriers, serving trainees participating in Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families and Women, Infants and Children and veterans and military spouses. A Joint Powers Agreement with Hennepin County and the cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis was just approved by the Ramsey County Board. Becker also shared a visual and explained how the grant is structured and the timeline. The submission deadline is February 10.

Other

No other items were discussed.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:55pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 8, 2022, 3-4pm