## Workforce Development Board of Trumbull County OhioMeansJobs Center Committee

Tuesday, November 9, 2021 @ 9:00 am

## Alternate Location: IBEW- 4550 Research Pkwy Warren, Ohio 44483

**Members Present** 

Michael Keys Arthur Daly

Tonya Kline for William Moore

Dawn Ochman

Ashley Iannucci for Brian Eskridge

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Herbert Caldwell, Jr

Melissa Capple

Guests

Dimitri Liogas, WDB Executive Assistant William Turner, WDB Executive Director Ernest Wiley, Supervisor, ODJFS Jenny Carsone, OMJ/JFS Coordinator Danette Wasko, OMJ Supervisor Tara Stanyard, OMJ Supervisor Kim Barrell, OMJ Administrator Trish Johnson **Members Absent** 

Russell Sewell

Matthew Foerster Stephen Telego, Sr.

Pete Kefalas Tiffany Streeter

Chairperson, Michael Keys, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with roll call completed with quorum in attendance. Mr. Keys requested a motion to approve the minutes from the November 9, 2021 meeting.

**MOTION:** By Art Daly to approve minutes from the November 9, 2022 meeting.

**SECONDED:** Melissa Capple

**DISCUSSION:** None **VOTE:** Unanimous **MOTION: CARRIED** 

Mr. Keys deferred to staff members to report on agenda topics.

**Ohio To Work**- Mrs. Barrell stated that the WDB, Jobs Ohio, NUCA, MVMC, Flying High, and Regional Chamber are continuing their collaboration. The OTW team continues its marketing campaign using radio ads and social media initially. The OMJ Center has started to receive referrals from the campaign. The OMJ Center has sent out letters to approximately 773 SNAP recipients. As an initial result in the outreach efforts, OMJ Trumbull has funded 2 clients for classes.

**Customer Outreach**- Mrs. Barrell updated the committee on the ongoing outreach efforts. Management is aggressively promoting the OMJ Center through Ohio To Work, billboard campaigns, signage on buses, postcard distribution, and social media. In addition, OMJ is sending out letters to RESEA participants in an effort to promote OMJ services.

**OMJ Center Status**- Mrs. Stanyard announced that the OMJ Center is open to the public. There are still COVID restrictions in place and with limited occupancy in the facility. OMJ is experiencing low traffic at the center as a result of COVID apprehension. OMJ has been providing assistance with the new Ohio ID process; clients have encountered difficulties with the system. ASPIRE continues to hold in person class at the OMJ Center.

**ARIES-** Mrs. Barrell announced that the state is still on schedule to launch the ARIES case management system that will replace OWCMS. The state is scheduled to transition to the new system on 4/4/2022. Training for staff continues.

**MOU**- Mr. Turner announced that there will be negotiations forthcoming for the OMJ Partner MOU. The new MOU will take effect 7/1/2022. It will be a one-year agreement through 6/30/2023.

**ADA / Special Population-** A roundtable discussion was conducted for any ADA related topics for the OMJ Center and Partner updates and (client) issues. Ms. Iannucci stated that the state has an employer representative and an occupational therapist available to assist businesses with ADA issues.

**OMJ** Certification- Mrs. Barrell announced that Phase 3 OMJ certification is scheduled to be conducted this year. Mr. Turner stated to please consider being on the certification team. Volunteers will be requested at the upcoming WDB meeting.

**Vantage Re-entry to OMJ-** Vantage has announced that the Mature Services Representative with be back at the OMJ Center.

## Miscellaneous

Ms. Iannucci announced that they have entered into a cooperative partnership with the Municipal Court in Mahoning County. They will have an OOD representative there to receive referrals from the Court.

With no more business to discuss, Mr. Keys adjourned the meeting.

## **2022 Meeting Schedule:**

Meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each quarter @ 9:00 a.m.

February 8, 2022, May 10, 2022, August 9, 2022, November 8, 2022

Respectfully submitted by: Dimitri Liogas, WDB Executive Assistant