

# FINGER LAKES WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD PERFORMANCE & EVALUATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, August 27, 2019, 8:30 am  
Finger Lakes Workforce Investment Board  
Conference Room B

**Attendance:** Kathy Baker, Tom Facer, Julia Murphy, Rick Plympton, Mike Rusinko

**Absent:** Lynn Freid, John Mueller

**Staff:** Jennifer May, Karen Springmeier, Mike Woloson

## I. Introductions

**II. A motion to approve the minutes from the June 25, 2019 was made by Mr. Rusinko, seconded by Ms. Baker. All in favor, motion approved.**

## III. Dashboard

The unemployment in the Finger Lakes region at the end of June was slightly lower than the national average, at 3.2% and lower than the same time in June 2018. Front door traffic to the career centers has fluctuated but has stayed fairly similar when comparing PY'18 to PY'17. The number of customers who utilized classroom training in PY'18 increased in comparison to PY'17, but the number of On-the-Job Training participants decreased.

## IV. Trainings Outcome Report

Mr. Woloson reviewed the PY'18 outcomes for classroom training in the healthcare, manufacturing and construction industries, which showed an 84% success rate. The on-the-job training program, which saw mainly participants in the manufacturing industry, though, showed a 62% success rate.

## V. Performance Update – Primary Indicators

Mr. Woloson reviewed the WIOA Primary Indicators of Performance for PY'18. The report detailed the number of participants, those who have exited services, and those who have attained employment, training and credentials. Across all segments, the Finger Lakes region is meeting or exceeding the goals set by the state. Mr. Woloson will also share this report at the September 18th Board meeting.

## VI. “SkillUp Finger Lakes”

Ms. Springmeier spoke of the roll out of the “SkillUp Finger Lakes” program, which offers free online courses for exploring career pathways and preparing for various industry-recognized certifications. Once registered, customers will be given a license and they'll have 30 days to initiate the courses, from which there are over 5,000 to choose.

## VII. One Stop Operator Update

The Genesee Valley Regional Planning Council has been chosen as the One Stop Operator and will be retroactively approved by the full board on September 18<sup>th</sup>. This is also the operator for Genesee, Livingston, Orleans, Wyoming and Monroe counties. They will be convening partners four times a year.

## VII. Cluster Update

Mr. Plympton reported that FAME is still looking for a new chair, as Mr. Phillips would like to step down from the role. Also, Edge Factor is likely to be at this year's “Finger Lakes Works... *with their hands!*”. With the recent donations, including \$5,000.00 from M&T Bank, the FAME scholarship Endowment Fund Account is in excess of \$50,000 and is self-sustaining for an annual scholarship of \$1,000. For the 2019 – 2020 school year, the scholarship is being awarded to Kevin Stottler at FLCC on September 12<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Woloson will be gathering the members of the healthcare alliance to learn more about the “SkillUp Finger Lakes” program and the impact it is likely to have on the industry. The 2020 healthcare career exploration day has received a \$1,000.00 grant from the Geneva Rotary and planning for the event will start in October.

Geneva's Food and Beverage Industry Consortium is working closely with Locate Finger Lakes, food and beverage producers, business, academia and government to drive further innovation and growth in the industry locally.

**The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 9:35 a.m.**

**Next Meeting: Thursday, October 31, 2019, 8:30 a.m. at the Finger Lakes Workforce Investment Board offices, Conference Room B.**

Submitted By: Jennifer May