Employment Oversight Commission Meeting Minutes

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Room 560, 900 SW Jackson, Topeka

Commissioners present: Rocky Nichols, Bob Hull

Commissioners present by phone: Barney Mayse, Wendy Parent-Johnson, Ron Pasmore, Dan Kerschen and Mike Donnelly.

Liaisons present: Jeff Schroeder (Commerce), and Lea Stueve (KDADS).

Staff: Martha Gabehart.

Guests: Steve Curtis and Craig Knutson.

Guests by phone: Nick Holtz.

Call to Order – Rocky called the meeting to order

Approval of Agenda – Bob wanted to share some information. Rocky added it near the end of the agenda.

Approval of February 23, 2014 Minutes – Bob moved approval. Barney seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commerce Response to 2014 Recommendations – Jeff went over the Commerce response to the EFOC 2014 recommendations.

Discussion about President’s Executive Order on Federal Contractors and Minimum Wage – Bob is concerned about how the President’s executive order on federal contractors being required to pay at least minimum wage will affect those sheltered workshops that have federal contracts. Ron said he felt there was not going to be any affect.

Strategic Planning for 2014 – It was decided to work on:

1. The taskforce of stakeholders regarding employment of people with disabilities including systems formulated around incentives and funding - Jeff, Mike, Ron;
2. Data and employment first - Bob, Rocky, Wendy; and
3. A resource guide of ideas to create more of an employment market to promote employment including examination of potential new business models – Ron, Barney, Wendy.

Next Meeting – June 17th, 10 am – Noon.

Adjourn: Bob moved the meeting be adjourned. Ron seconded. Motion carried.