Kansas Employment First Oversight Commission

Emporia Public Library, 110 E. 6th Ave., Large Conf. Room, Emporia, KS

Monday, July 30, 2012; 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

**Minutes**

Attendees: Rocky, Ron, Barney (by phone), Wendy

Staff: Martha, Kerrie

Guests: Mike Smith, Jeff Schroeder (by phone), Kathy Cooper

1. Rocky did welcome and introductions.
2. Ron moved to accept May 31 minutes as presented. Wendy seconded. Motion adopted.
3. Commissioners gave feedback on their meetings with liaisons regarding goals 2.1 and 2.2 and other goals and objectives from relevant state agencies.
   * KDADS – Rocky
   * DCF – Wendy
   * Education – Rocky and Wendy
   * Administration – Ron
   * KDOT – Kerrie
   * Commerce – Ron
   * KDHE – Rocky
   * Agreed that Wendy will take on KSDE alone. Rocky and Ron will work with Mike at KDOT going forward,

* Will send each agency a follow up letter within the next week.

1. Wendy moved and Ron seconded to accept the Strategies and Barriers as the final version without changes. Motion adopted.
2. Data – elements needed
   * Will discuss with Jean Hall what they are doing.
   * The commission will be letting agencies determine what the goals will be.
   * Ask the data people in the agencies how the Commission can help them get the data needed. Talk to data gurus, you see our goals, what advise do you have for us?
3. Interhab Conference presentation request – October 17-19 – Ron; Breakout session; Wendy and/or Ron will present. Ron will fill out the form for the presentation.
4. Updates on Employment Information:

* Delaware just passed their Employment First law and it was directly related to us. Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP) and Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AIDD) just signed a MOU to work together on Employment First.
* Ron – CDDO contracts included that they would start working on data information. Work group made recommendations about realigning payment methods to incentivize payment process toward integrated competitive employment.
* Barney – contact by GKC BLN, Kathy Smith, incentives for employers, by the state. Let her know what those are. Send Barney the information.
* Ron – Wichita is in the process of developing a BLN. They have had some webinars over the summer and networked with the Wichita SHRM. They are having their first face to face meeting next week.
* Ron – Managed Care Organizations with KanCare – United Health Care said they would spend $500,000 on employment for people with disabilities.

1. Meeting Dates

* Sept 7 – Emporia; changed to Topeka.
* October 10 – Emporia
* Nov 6- Topeka
* Nov 28 – Emporia
* Dec 13 – Topeka

1. Wendy moved to adjourn. Ron seconded. Motion adopted