

Quarterly One-Stop Partner Meeting

Minutes

June 20, 2023

1:30 – 3:00PM

<p>1. Welcome / Introductions, Review of the Agenda</p>	<p>In attendance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Allie Novicki- Maine DHHS, OADSAmy Geren – Cutler Institute/CCWIBrenda Drummond, MDOL Division for the Blind and Visually ImpairedCait Grant, York County Community CollegeDave Wurm, Goodwill Northern New England/Workforce SolutionsDavid Watts, MidCoast Adult Education Hub 7Elizabeth Grout, PathStone CorporationJames Moorhead, MDHHS Office of Aging and Disability ServicesJennifer Bealmer, MDHHS CSBGJim Whitten, Workforce Development at SMCCJoan Dolan, MDOLJoy Gould, MDHHS Healthcare Workforce DevelopmentJudy Beale, DHHS TANF/ASPIRE Whole Family Case CoordinationKaren Fraser, DOL Bureau of Rehabilitation ServicesKristin Wheelock, DOL BES CareerCenter - subbing for Susan LeClairLibby Stone-Sterling, MDOL Division of Vocational RehabilitationMarshall Archer, FedCapMegan Dichter, MDOE Adult EducationMolly Ginn, Penobscot Job Corps CenterNate Snow, LearningWorks YouthBuildRene Smith, MDOL BES - CareerCenterRob Klaiber, MDOL BES - CareerCenterRoger Felix, PathstoneSara Watson, Bureau of Unemployment CompensationStaci Grasky, Maine's Community Colleges
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2. Approval of March Meeting Minutes	Approved
3. Overview of FY 22-23 One-Stop Partner Progress	<p>June 2022 – June 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infrastructure agreement signed – updated MOU between partners, finalized in September • Coastal Operator Group meetings resumed – Titles I-IV for Frontline staff – good connections and hearing challenges helpful • Business Services Survey – sent to all partners for clarity on services providing recommendations, etc. 100% participation. Providing cross-training between partners (attached) • Information & cross-sharing – programmatic one-sheets on Coastal Counties website: One-Stop Operator Training tab: https://www.coastalcounties.org/board-operations Videos in progress, and will be available on the same tab • One-Stop Center/American Job Center – achieved age-friendly business certification • Tours – Adult Education; Portland Housing Authority (HUD) • 2023 One-Stop Center certification due in the Fall – will be reaching out with a request for center usage information
4. Integration Plan Priorities Focus for 2023-2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One-Stop comprehensive Center – moving forward with certification process and referral process • Sharing and cross training has been helpful between partners • Goals – System – Employers – Job-Seekers • Information sharing very important • Embedding integration – OSO will be involved in regional activities • Hold and facilitate One-Stop partner quarterly meetings • Encourage Collaboration – hold meetings, cross training • Employer Strategies – Strategize and streamline outreach to employers • Align business outreach resources across WIOA core partners • Job Seeker strategies – expand remote access to virtual meetings and trainings
5. Virtual American Job Center Updates	Contract is underway – Dave Wurm has been involved with process – selected firm had a strong application – sample interface includes 211 Maine

6. Updates

- Jim Whitten - Expanded workforce training to include mobile robotics labs, etc. Will be offering basic training, etc.
- Amy Geren – Helped at the Portland Adult Ed and Resource Fair for United Way, Career Center earlier in June
- Cait Grant – Offering welding training with Sanford Adult Ed
- David Wurm – Goodwill is supporting youth apprenticeship, recently launched Maine Construction Academy to Juniors and Seniors in HS as pathways to apprenticeship; hosting three cohorts this summer
- Rob Klaiber – Greater Portland and Springvale CareerCenters – culmination of all the work we’re doing; Windham Correctional Center has growth of programs with men, getting more involved with women and veterans, etc. bringing career services to inmates
- Molly Ginn – Penobscot Job Corps enrollment admissions goals; job referrals. Success story – A Coastal County ESL student received his diploma and has been accepted to Nursing School to study phlebotomy
- Brenda Drummond – Assisting adults trying to find employment, one recent interview received job offer that day
- Karen Fraser – DOL hosted the *Maine Employer Summit*, in partnership with the State Workforce Board and Dept. of Economic and Community Development, in May. This one-day event connected 300+ participating employers, government agencies, workforce partners, and State of Maine resources to help with workforce opportunities, discuss how to break down barriers to attracting and hiring specific communities, and share best practices, challenges, and innovations in creating a more inclusive, sustainable workforce.
- Joy Gould – DHHS is utilizing funding as continuation in career pathways; moving on to the next credential
- Elizabeth Grout – Providing health and safety to farmers in addition to a curriculum for children of farm-working families in Scarborough. Success story: Graduated our first CDL trucker
- Libby Stone-Sterling – Summer step-up being offered to young people to try out college and experiences at Orono, starts July 10th, 2 weeks on campus and a 4-week option online; offering college bus tours and other tours
- Rene Smith – providing outreach in local libraries
- Joan Dolan – DOL Construction Academy w/ Goodwill, graduated 1st class, new class starts in July; releasing registered apprenticeship in associate degrees soon, paid time while in classroom; collaboration with USM and other cohorts in fall
- Kristin Wheelock – Rockland services increased 4 to 5 days; worked with Bolduc and hosted 1st hiring; veteran team collaborating with partners
- Nate Snow – 25 graduates across the program, most have been employed/placed
- Sara Watson – Partnering with has been one of our greatest highlights, gained trust and access to programming
- James Moorehead & Allie Novicki – Successfully procured a new payroll system, 100% attendance
- Marshall Archer – Retail Maine bringing in credentialing, warehouse credentials, culinary arts; working with career onboarding

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Megan Dichter – Maine job funding plan coordinators will assist those entering community college, career navigators in coastal communities, helping educational navigation to community college, etc.
7. Shared Link	Joan Dolan: https://www.mainebiz.biz/article/maine-afl-cio-construction-training-academy-aims-to-diversify-workforce

Next Meeting:

September 19, 2023

1:30 – 3:00PM