STATE YOUTH COUNCIL

Department of Workforce Services

1385 S State Street, Salt Lake City

July 12, 2012

Attendees (voting members): Randy Welsh, Joe Christopher, Chuck Krivanek, Marty Kelly, Jennifer Larson, Chris Healy, Lisa Spencer, Mike Glenn (phone)

Attendees (non-voting members and guests): Jane Broadhead, Peggy Killian, Brandon Street, Lesnie Foster, Rebecca Banner, Brent Newren, Jan Thompson, Shelly Ivie, Julia Story, Randy Hopkins, Rachael Stewart, Steve Leyba, Chris Mayne (phone), Angela Madsen, Julie Lay, Sherry Stevens, Lorri Economy, Tim Dye, Devin Shipp (phone)

On the phone: Mike Glenn and Devin Shipp.

Excused: Marie Christman and Deanna Hopkins

Notes: Jaylyn Hatch

Welcome & Introduction of New SYC Chair: Randy Welsh

- Randy welcomed everyone as well as the new members; Michael Blakey, Deanna Hopkins, Joe Christopher, Lisa Spencer, Chris Healy, Bruce Rigby, Sean Sasser.

Approval of Minutes: Randy Welsh entertained a motion for approval of the April meeting minutes. Motion to approve made by ___, 2nd by ___. Motion carried.

Utah State Office of Education: Marty Kelly *(Handouts)*

- Marty went over the reports she handed out.
- Throughout the program year they saw 220 individuals come through the Adult Education system.
- The majority of their clients were 19-24. They had a small population of 16-18 year olds.
- 62 of the 220 were tested and gained a level gain in reading, writing or English.

- 77 of the 220 separated before they were able to take a post test. This is concerning to Marty.
- 81 of the 220 were tested remained within the level.
- Marty handed out a document regarding the upcoming changes in GED testing.
- The cost of the paper/pencil test is $85.00 and the cost for the online testing is $120.00.
- If you have any questions about the GED testing process please don't hesitate to contact Marty.
- As Marty finds out new information about the GED testing she will share them with the SYC members.

Approval of WIA Youth Providers: Group *(Handout that was included in the agenda)*

- Randy went over the WIA Youth Provider Approval hand out.
- In changing from reimbursement contracts to fee-for-service contracts DWS anticipated serving 20% more youth.
- Actual increase statewide is 50.4%.
- The edit compliance rate is 88% and that is the threshold at which the SYC approves continuing service delivery through the next program year.
- The Executive Directors Office asked that ESAs meet a compliance level of 90% beginning in Program Year 2012 (7/1/2012 to 6/30/2013).
- DWS ESAs are the existing WIA youth providers. ESA's compliance level for PY11 exceeded 90%.
- Randy Welsh entertained a motion for approval of the WIA youth providers as outlined on the document in the agenda. Motion to approve made by ___, 2nd by ___. Motion carried.
- Randy will take the SYC recommendation to the State Council meeting for endorsement.

WIA Youth Budget & Performance Measures for WIA Youth: Randy Welsh
(Handout was included with the agenda)

- Randy went through both handouts. Overall, the program is meeting or exceeding the Department of Labor performance outcome levels. ESA staff should be congratulated on their efforts.
- Jane Broadhead pointed out the program goals and areas needing work.

Continue Planning Discussion – Realigning the focus of the SYC: Group

- Social Media *(Jennifer Larson logged onto Facebook and showed us the page)*
    - The ETV position, WFN leadership retreat and two other events were posted on the Just for Utah Youth Facebook page.
    - They have 51 likes.
    - DCFS will have a computer at their leadership conference that the youth can logon to and like the Facebook page right then and there.
    - If anyone from DWS want to post things on the Facebook page you will need to go through communications process.
    - If anyone has an event coming up you can let Jane or Rachael know and they can take it to communications.
    - A link to Utah Futures website would be great.
    - The State Youth Summit is on August 1st and 2nd. It will be their 10th year anniversary. August 2nd at 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm will be the "Youth Speak Out". It will be in the Douglas Ballroom up at the University of Utah.
    - The new Just for Youth website will be launched at the summit.
- Society of Human Resource Management (SHRM)
    - We can get a booth for the Crossroads Conference in the fall.
    - There is a possibility if the booth is costly that we can share a booth.
    - ***Action Item: Chris Healy will find out the price of a booth for the conference.***
    - We will need to find out what our marketing message that we want to share and keep it quick.
    - The SHRM conference is September 18th and 19th at the Davis Conference Center.

- Jane went through the presentation and asked for feedback.
- Some of the feedback is as follows:
    - The term at risk needs to be last on the first slide and have a definition.
    - Substance abuse needs to be moved to the bottom as well.
    - What is in it for the employers?
    - It needs to be tailored to employers and community partners and then if it is outside of that we can make changes to fit the audience.
    - Add more information about the internships and how employers benefit from it.
    - ***Action Item: Come up with a workgroup with employers to have the help with the presentation between now and the October meeting.*** *Randy Welsh, Chris Healy Lisa Spencer and Chuck Krivanek will be part of the workgroup.*
- Jane talked about the Youth in Foster Care Pathway to WIA Youth flow chart. *(There was a handout)*
    - Add basic literacy test and ESL test.
- Jane also went through the DWS and DCFS contacts. *(Handout was included in the agenda)*

Agenda Items for October's meeting:

- Report back on SHRM
- Updated presentation
- Agency list
- Adult Education *(Recurring Agenda Item)*
- WIA Youth Budget report & Performance Measures for WIA Youth *(Recurring Agenda Item)*
- Approval of Meeting Minutes *(Recurring Agenda Item)*

Adjourn

Next meeting will be October 11, 2012

TO: GED Testing Center Chief Examiners
Adult Education Directors
School Counselors
DWS, Vocational Rehabilitation and DCFS Workers/Managers

FROM: Marty Kelly, Coordinator
Adult Education and GED® Testing Services

DATE: June 27, 2012

RE: GED® Testing Changes

As many of you know there are changes with GED® testing effective July 1, 2012. This memo summarizes the changes that will be implemented.

- UT will be launching GED® Computer Based Testing (CBT) at all GED® testing sites on a phase in basis starting June 26, 2012. Full phase in should be completed by January 2013.
    - The first testing sites to launch include: Weber State University, USU- Moab, Dixie State College, SLCC –Redwood. (Note: a soft launch was held at Weber State on June 26th that went very well).
- The cost to take the full GED® Test will be $120. To take one module or to retake a module the cost will be $24 per module.
- Candidates may pay for entire test or by module.

Paper/pencil vs. CBT GED® testing policies:

- All candidates that start with the paper/pencil version of the GED® Test must complete the GED® Test with paper/pencil and do so by mid-December 2013.
- January, 2014 a new GED® Test series will be released and the current test will be retired.
- Once a testing center launches CBTesting the only paper/pencil GED® testing available will be for those candidates who, prior to launch, started with paper/pencil. All new testing sessions will be offered only as CBT.
- Costs for the paper/pencil tests will be $120 for full battery and $24 for any module retakes.

Use of Vouchers for paper/pencil vs. CBT GED® testing:

- Vouchers for paper pencil - the process will be the same for paper pencil retakes but the cost will be $24.00 per retake of a test module
- Vouchers for CBT - candidates wanting to use vouchers must access PearsonVue an obtain vouchers http://pearsonvue.com/vouchers/pricelist/ged.asp
- Vouchers for the CBT MUST BE ORDERED WELL BEFORE SCHEDULING CBT testing by persons in charge of purchasing for DWS, Rehab, DCFS and other entities that will be paying for candidates testing.
- Individual testing candidates may also order vouchers
- Vouchers are good for one year.
- Companies purchasing vouchers may open a PO with PearsonVue for that specific purpose.
- The ordering and receiving of vouchers takes 2 -3 days to complete the transaction.
- Candidates attempting to register for CBTesting with a "paper voucher" for CBT using the process that has been the standard for paper pencil testing will be precluded from registering for CBT.
- Payment for the CBTesting cannot be made with a DWS benefits card as it is not a credit card.

Utah GED® Testing Centers and Availability of Tests

Subject to change as CBTesting is launched at each center

Testing Center	Paper Pencil Tests	Launch to CBTesting
College of Eastern Utah – San Juan	Paper pencil tests available until launch date announced. Retakes if original test was paper pencil through December 2013.	*Pending*
Southwest Applied Technology College	Paper pencil tests available until launch date announced. Retakes if original test was paper pencil through December 2013.	*Pending*
Delta Technical Center	Paper pencil tests available until launch date announced. Retakes if original test was paper pencil through December 2013.	*Pending*
Snow College - Ephraim	New tests and retakes if original test was paper pencil through December 2012	Unavailable
Davis Applied Technology College	New tests through December 2012; retakes if original was paper pencil through December 2013	January 2013
Utah State University – Logan	New tests through December 2012; retakes if original was paper pencil through December 2013	January 2013
Bridgerland Applied Technology College	New tests through December 2012; retakes if original was paper pencil through December 2013	January 2013
Utah State University – Moab	Retakes only if original test was paper pencil through December 2013	July 2012
Weber State University	Retakes only if original test was paper pencil through December 2013	July 2012
Utah State University – Eastern	Paper pencil tests available until launch date announced. Retakes if original test was paper pencil through December 2013.	*Pending*
Utah Valley University	Paper pencil tests available until launch date announced. Retakes if original test was paper pencil through December 2013.	*Pending*
Snow College Richfield	New tests through October 2012. Retakes only if original test was paper pencil through December 2013	November 2012
Duchesne GED Testing Center	New tests through December 2012; retakes if original was paper pencil through December 2013	January 2013
Dixie State College	Retakes only if original test was paper pencil through December 2013	July 2012
Salt Lake Community College – Redwood	Retakes only if original test was paper pencil through December 2013	July 2012
Granite Peaks	Paper pencil tests available until launch date announced. Retakes if original test was paper pencil through December 2013.	*Pending*
Salt Lake Community College – South City Campus	New tests and retakes if original test was paper pencil through December 2012	Unavailable
Canyons GED Testing Center	New tests through December 2012; retakes if original was paper pencil through December 2013	January 2013
Jordan GED Testing Center	New tests through December 2012; retakes if original was paper pencil through December 2013	January 2013
Tooele GED Testing Center	New tests through December 2012; retakes if original was paper pencil through December 2013	January 2013
Uintah Testing Center	New tests through December 2012; retakes if original was paper pencil through December 2013	January 2013

DWS WIA Table 1 - 2011/2012

State Wide

Entering Educational Functioning Level	EFL Short Name	American Indian or Alaska Native		Asian		Black		Latino / Hispanic		Native Hawaiian		White		Multi		Total
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Beginning ABE Literacy	ABE 1	0	1	1	0	1	0	2	3	0	0	1	1	0	0	10
Beginning Basic Education	ABE 2	0	1	2	1	1	6	8	11	0	1	7	10	0	0	48
Low Intermediate Basic Education	ABE 3	2	0	0	0	0	2	3	15	0	0	12	26	1	0	61
High Intermediate Basic Education	ABE 4	1	0	0	0	1	0	6	13	0	1	10	24	0	1	57
Low Adult Secondary Education	AHSC 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	2	5	0	1	13
High Adult Secondary Education	AHSC 2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	1	0	0	4	0	1	11
Beginning ESL Literacy	ESOL 1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Low Beginning ESL	ESOL 2	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
High Beginning	ESOL 3	0	0	1	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	10
Low Intermediate	ESOL 4	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
High Intermediate	ESOL 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Advanced	ESOL 6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Total		3	3	6	3	10	14	23	47	1	2	33	71	1	3	220

DWS WIA Table 2 - 2011/2012

State Wide

Age Group At Entry	American Indian or Alaska Native		Asian		Black		Latino / Hispanic		Native Hawaiian		White		Multi		Total
Age Group At Entry	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
16-18	1	1	0	1	1	5	18	16	1	1	17	25	1	2	90
19-24	2	2	6	2	9	9	5	31	0	1	16	46	0	1	130
25-44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
45-59	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
60 and Older	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	3	3	6	3	10	14	23	47	1	2	33	71	1	3	220

DWS WIA Table 3 - 2011/2012

State Wide

	16-18	19-24	25-44	45-59	60 and Older	Total
Adult Basic Education	74	102	0	0	0	176
Adult Secondary Education	15	9	0	0	0	24
English as a Second Language	1	19	0	0	0	20
Total	90	130	0	0	0	220

DWS WIA Table 4 - 2011/2012

State Wide

Entering Educational Functioning Level	EFL Short Name	Total Enrolled	Total Attendance Hours	Number Completed Level	Number Completed Level and Advanced One or More Levels	Number Separated Before Completed	Number Remaining Within Level	Percent Completing Level
Beginning ABE Literacy	ABE 1	10	1144.46	4	4	5	1	40.00 %
Beginning Basic Education	ABE 2	48	4565.57	15	7	13	20	31.25 %
Low Intermediate Basic Education	ABE 3	61	3607.53	11	5	23	27	18.03 %
High Intermediate Basic Education	ABE 4	57	3755.65	13	4	23	21	22.81 %
Low Adult Secondary Education	AHSC 1	13	586.00	2	0	7	4	15.38 %
High Adult Secondary Education	AHSC 2	11	380.33	5		3	3	45.45 %
Beginning ESL Literacy	ESOL 1	3	347.25	2	1	0	1	66.67 %
Low Beginning ESL	ESOL 2	4	1364.50	3	2	0	1	75.00 %
High Beginning	ESOL 3	10	1803.09	6	3	2	2	60.00 %
Low Intermediate	ESOL 4	2	368.50	1	1	0	1	50.00 %
High Intermediate	ESOL 5	0						
Advanced	ESOL 6	1	149.75	0	0	1	0	0.00 %
TOTAL		**220**	**18072.63**	**62**	**27**	**77**	**81**	**28.18 %**

DWS WIA Table 5 - 2011/2012

State Wide

Column A Core Follow up Outcome Measures	Column B Report Population	Column C Number of Participants Included in Survey Sample	Column D Number of Participants Used for Data Matching	Column E Percent Used for Data Matching	Column F Number Achieving Outcome (who were data matched)	Column G Percent Achieving Outcome
Obtained a GED or Secondary School Diploma	85		84	98.82%	21	25.00%

Column B

1. Student is an Adult-Education student, enrolled during report date range
2. Student is between the age of 16 and 21 on their effective enrollment date
3. Student was referred to Adult Ed by DWS (as designated on Student Demographic Screen)
4. Student has a funding code of 2,3,6, or 7 at some point during the given year
5. Student has a pretest in any program
6. Student has 12 funded total contact hours in any program
7. Student has a GED or Diploma goal in the report date range
8. Grandfathered GEDs (those achieved in July or August) are included if student had achieved the necessary requirements the previous year (See UTopia User Guide)
9. Separation from program is not required

Column C - Not applicable

Column D - To be used for GED data matching, students must have one of the following items - Social Security Number, GED Access Code, or GED Verification Code.

Column E - Column D / Column B

Column F
1. Includes diplomas earned during report date range
2. Includes GED achievements that were data matched (verified)
3. To be used

Column G - Column F / Column D