

Olmstead Executive Committee
October 6, 2015
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

I. Call to Order

Action: N/A.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Deputy Commissioner Jeremy Hanson Willis.

II. Roll Call to Establish Quorum

Action: N/A.

Committee members present: Jeremy Hanson Willis (Department of Employment and Economic Development); Lucinda Jesson (Department of Human Services).

Committee members present via phone: Mary Tingerthal (Minnesota Housing).

Subcabinet members present: Colleen Wieck, Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities; Roberta Opheim, Ombudsman's Office.

Guests present: Alex Bartolic, Erin Sullivan Sutton, Karen Sullivan Hook, Beth Sullivan, Jennifer DeCubellis, DHS; Joe Sathe, Allison Jones, Elizabeth Dressel, Governor's Office; Kristin Jorenby, Mike Tessneer, Darlene Zangara, Rosalie Vollmar, Olmstead Implementation Office; Dalton Laluces, BCT Partners; Melissa Vandawalker, Abt Associates; Paradigm Reporting and Captioning.

III. Welcome and Meeting Purpose

Action: N/A.

Deputy Commissioner Hanson Willis stated the purpose of the meeting was to finalize and approve workplans for submission to the court.

IV. Review the Agenda

Action: N/A.

There were no changes to the agenda.

V. Review Draft Work Plan Cover Letter

Action: N/A.

Compliance staff requested review and approval of a cover letter that would accompany the workplans. Colleen Wieck recommended several edits and Roberta Opheim requested copies of the final cover letter and workplans be sent to subcabinet members for review prior to submission. Mike Tessneer reported the draft letter would be sent to subcabinet members for review later that day, and workplans would be sent for review after final edits were made.

VI. Review and Approve Draft Work Plans

Action: Motion to approve workplans with final edits.

**Motion – Jesson. Second – Hanson-Willis.
In Favor - All**

Mike Tessneer reported on the following changes to each workplan by topic area:

Person Centered-Planning

Page 6, C.1. (add language):

Outreach to ethnically and racially diverse communities.

Page 7, D.3. (add language):

Recruit and develop racially and ethnically diverse service providers.

Transition Services

Page 14, A.3. (add language):

Recruit and develop racially and ethnically diverse service providers.

Housing Services

Page 18, A (add comment):

Numbers were included in sample work plan submitted on August 10, 2015 for the Bridges program. The numbers were removed because they are included in the measurable goal target numbers.

To minimize confusion, subcabinet members requested that the cover letter include an explanation that the numbers in the workplans typically reflect one or two year time periods rather than the longer time periods reflected in the measurable goals.

Page 21, Strategy 4 (add language):

Clarify the alternate formats are available for accessing the information on the HousingLink website for people who do not have access to the internet.

Employment

Page 25, Strategy 2 (add language):
Collect diversity/ethnicity information for employment outcomes.

Page 25, 3.A.2. (modify language):
Change deadline to July 31, 2016 to allow for funding proposals to be reviewed/approved.

Page 28, Strategy 5 (add language):
Recruit and develop racially and ethnically diverse service providers to implement Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act (WIOA).

Page 28, Strategy 5. A.1. (add language):
Begin implementation of the provision of Pre-Employment transition Services (PETS) under WIOA, while continuing dialogue with federal officials about concerns with those potentially eligible for Vocational Rehabilitation Services (VRS), and monitor the impact of this provision of the this population as well as other populations.

Page 28, Strategy 5.A.3. (add language):
Track the fiscal and programmatic impact of the expansion of VRS services to high school students with disabilities to determine sufficiency of resources for other populations in the short and long term.

Page 28, Strategy 5.A.4. (add language):
Monitor and report semi-annually to the Subcabinet on the impact of having implemented the Order of Selection (OOS) process in DEED service delivery.

Page 28, Strategy 5.A.5. (add language):
Report semi-annually to the Olmstead Subcabinet on the status of WIOA and the impact of its policies on State Services for the Blind (SSB) and VRS and the people they serve.

Page 28, Strategy 5.A.6. (add language):
Work with local, state, and federal partners to maximize the opportunities presented under WIOA to improve employment outcomes for youth and adults with significant disabilities, by advocating for the most optimal balance of resources.

Page 29, Strategy 5.C. (modify language):
Change "Section 503" to "Promote Hiring among Contractors".

Page 29, C.1. (modify language):
"Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended" to "the Minnesota Human Rights Act."

Page 29, C (modify language):
Under "Expected Outcome" remove the word "federal."

Lifelong Learning & Education

Page 33, Strategy 2 (add language):

Brief description of what is meant by low incidence disability.

Page 34, Strategy 4 (add language):

New activity to develop parent and student surveys regarding educational reintegration priorities, concerns and considerations.

Page 34, Strategy 4.C. (modify language):

Change language to reflect sharing the Red Wing protocol with counties, advocate for broader implementation, and assess the umbrella rule for other opportunities.

Page 35, Strategy 5 (modify language):

Merge Strategy 5 with Strategy 3.

Pages 36-37 (remove language):

Remove the content from the workplan and add language in the cover letter that states staff will, “engage key stakeholders in all strategies related to lifelong learning and education.”

Healthcare & Healthy Living

Page 51, Strategy 2 (add language):

Recruit and develop racially and ethnically diverse service providers for behavioral health homes and health care homes.

Positive Supports

Page 59, C.4. (modify language):

Change “marketing plan” to “outreach plan.”

Page 59, C.7. (add language):

Provide interim reports to the subcabinet for review on an annual basis.

Page 61, B (add language):

Under “Outcomes,” proposed amendments will be submitted to the subcabinet and the Court for approval.

Page 64, A.3. (modify language):

Make A.3. the first key activity with the other activities following.

Clarify language to indicate reports are due in time for the 2016 legislative session.

Crisis Services

Page 66, Strategy 1.A. (add language):

Move language in “expected outcomes” to the first column.

Provide interim reports to the subcabinet for review on an annual basis.

Page 70, Strategy 2 (add language):

Recruit and develop racially and ethnically diverse service providers for crisis services.

Page 72, Strategy 3.A (add language):

Outreach to ethnically and racially diverse communities.

Community Engagement

Page 76, Strategy 1 (remove language):

Remove reference to any specific grants.

Page 76, Strategy 1 (add language):

Seek grants for the purpose of forwarding the plan, engaging people with disabilities and partnering with other agencies.

Page 76, D.1. (modify language):

Change “prevalence” to participation level.

Quality of Life Survey

Page 85, Strategy 3.C. (modify language):

Add the missing numbers under “deadline” and change language to read “select and train people with disabilities to complete the survey”.

VII. Adjourn

Action: Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion – Jesson. Second – Hanson Willis.

In Favor - All

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.