

MAWB Policy & Issues Committee Minutes Thursday, June 16th, 2022

9:00 - 10:30 AM via Zoom

1. CareerForce Reopening Updates

- a. Discussed need for locations to be fully open to the public and a date that we can all plan around
- b. DEED is working with a few local areas on reopening plans, they don't have a date yet. Other centers are under local control and they can decide how to reopen if they have not.
- c. Discussed marketing will be helpful to get the word out that locations are open, there is no marketing budget though.

2. CareerForce Corners/Library Discussion

- a. Discussed that local areas voiced concerns about Job Service library efforts at the Operations meeting and want to explore these. DEED sees the library as an extension of CareerForce services and a positive outreach step to be in the community where jobseekers are.
- b. Discussion around the need to staff CareerForce locations as well. Are jobseekers going to libraries because locations aren't open?
- c. Agreement that outreach efforts should be coordinated at the local level to not duplicate efforts.

3. State set-aside information request

- a. Discussed that previous ETP directors shared information about where the set-aside dollars went and gained input from local areas
- b. Marc agreed that transparency on this topic is beneficial and will plan to share.

4. DW Policy Comments

- a. Discussed that this group is a good place to discuss policy drafts before putting them out for public comment, MAWB will be submitting questions and concerns about the DW updates.
- b. DEED has taken feedback on the DW policy for a long time from MAWB and MESC and crafted the updates with this feedback in mind.