

2-15-23 WIOA Leadership Team Meeting Notes

One-Stop Operator Update – Terry Luckey (DWDB) announced that Samantha Parker Consulting has been hired as the new One-Stop Operator to begin 3-1-23. Hope Ellsworth explained that the meeting dates will not change, but the meeting links will change once Samantha begins. She expressed confidence that Samantha will add new thoughts and skills to move the One-Stop system to new heights.

DVI Open Position – Valerie McNickol (DVI) shared a management open position that can be found at the following link: <https://www.jobapscloud.com/DE/sup/bulpreview.asp?R1=021023&R2=MCBZ01&R3=350800>. This position is for the Business Enterprise Program Director.

Announcement of the ending of the SNAP emergency allotments program – Tom Hall (DSS) provided an update and relevant documents have been attached to the email sent with these minutes. He provided documents/flyers and asked that they be posted in public areas. Leaders should review the Policy Brief for Community Partners that is also attached. The emergency allotment for the SNAP program ends on 2-28-23, but he noted that recipients can use the money already on their EBT debit cards for 9 months.. Also, Medicaid renewals will begin again because the continuous eligibility is ending.

EEO Update – Wanda Hollifield (DWDB) explained that an EEO required training will be set up for Partners and this training will likely be completed via a future WIOA Leadership Team meeting. She will keep Leaders updated.

Update from Joanna Staib – Joanna provided a detailed update on the following initiatives:

- DWDB Strategic Planning Efforts
- January Deloitte “Breakthrough Lab”
- Delaware Employment Equity Project (DEEP)

The PPT presentation, including all of these topics has been attached to the email sent with these minutes. Also attached are 3 documents with results from the Fall Business Decision Makers Survey and the Delaware Workforce Development Greenhouse Lab Executive Summary. She noted that the information regarding the DWDB strategic planning efforts is still a draft until the Governor signs off and approves these efforts.

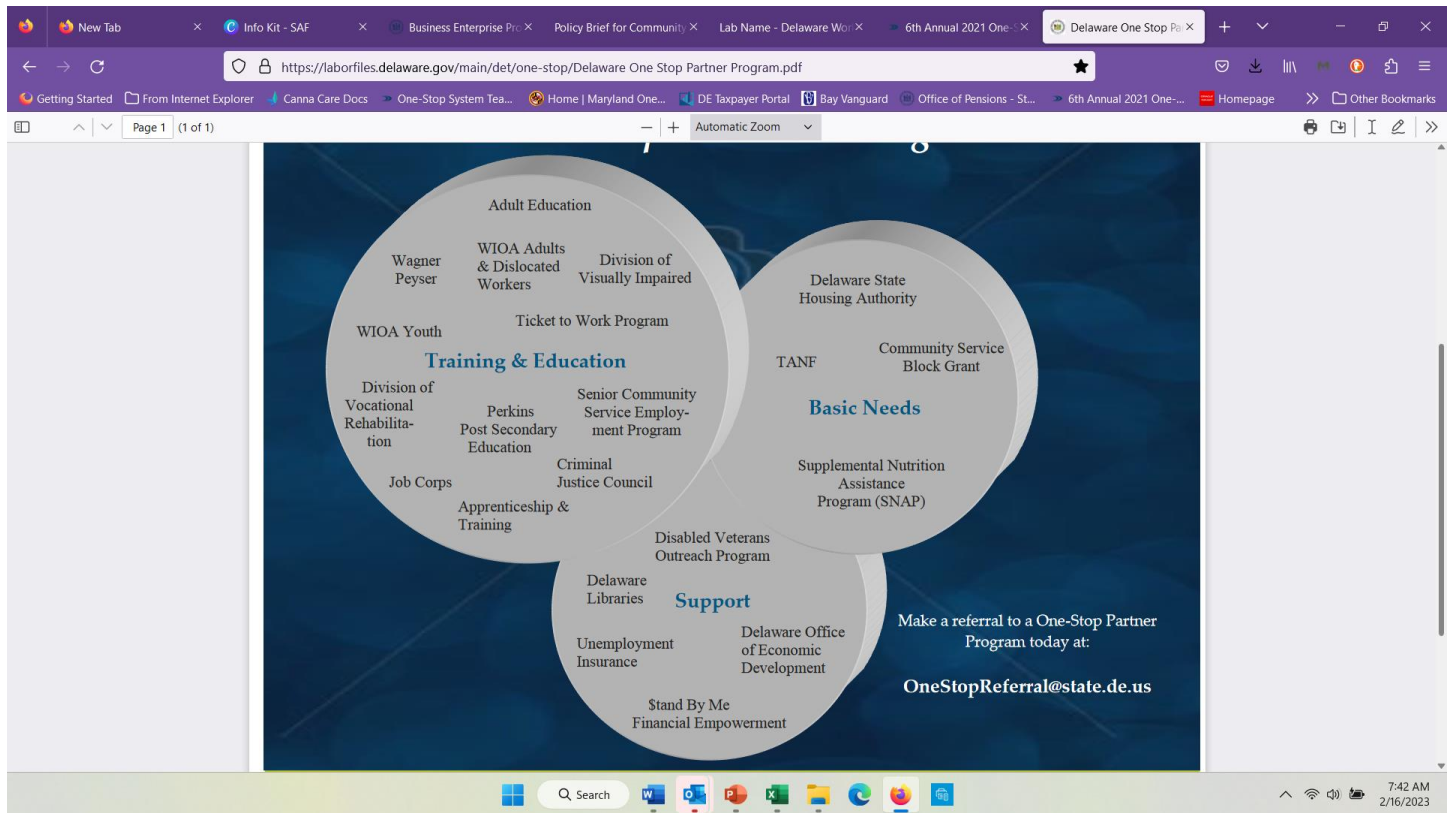
2-2-23 One-Stop System Convening Update – Hope sent out the evaluation results on 2-14-23. Overall, they were very positive. Many commented that they would like to have a Convening in-person again. She thanked the teams, for their vital input on ideas, as well as those who were behind the scenes. The evaluations will be shared with Samantha Parker to provide initial feedback for development of the next Convening. She added that the information from the 5-21 Convening (on trauma) is still very relevant and the recordings are on that web page: <https://labor.delaware.gov/wdb/onestop/6th-annual-2021-one-stop-system-convening//>. Hope will share the link to the 2-2-23 Convening webpage once it is fully updated with the recordings.

Group Violence Intervention – Hope provided a link to this program providing assistance to reduce violence. The following link provides a detailed update and statistics and she noted positive results are included in this info kit: <https://www.canva.com/design/DAE6ggtR270/WIXpboEfl0vgblWcnmaMkg/view>. Valerie Tickle (Criminal Justice Council) added that they have funding to expand the program downstate. The Community-Based Violence Reduction Intervention and Prevention Programs RFP (to expand the initiative downstate) has not yet been funded. She asked that Leaders share this information. The RFP document has been attached to the email sent with these minutes.

Certification Work Group – Terry Luckey (DWDB) provided a quick update. A small work group (5 members) is being set up to develop and oversee the One-Stop System certification process that the Feds are requiring every 3 years. She is still looking for a couple of members and asked that you contact her if you want to be involved.

Updating “WIOA Orientation for Frontline Staff” – Hope and Maureen Whelan (Adult & Prison Ed) met last week to begin updating this slide presentation that should be shared with all new staff within our system. Hope went through the slides with Leaders and share some of the initial changes (i.e. - new Delaware Works logo). *She will finish the update*

and will send out to Leaders next week for one final review before adding it to the One-Stop Team link. Hope especially needs feedback on the One-Stop System graphic, in terms of any changes to the designations in the circles. (See below.) This is a more comprehensive graphic of the “One-Stop Partner Programs” than what is currently included in the PPT. She will make any changes and include this in the PPT.



Maureen has updated the feedback survey that is included on the last slide. It is only 3 questions, but it allows us to identify responses by partner program. They both stressed the importance of ensuring that the slides are shared with new staff. Finally, Hope will be sending out the feedback survey to WIOA Leaders and the One-Stop Team members to gauge current use of this Orientation presentation.

WIOA Leadership Team Meeting: Feedback Survey to provide ideas for New One-Stop Operator: Hope asked that all WIOA Leadership Team members complete the survey in order to provide meeting feedback for Samantha Parker, the new One-Stop Operator. The first question is required, but the other questions are optional. She thanked team members for their input.

The link is: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScEU54L4uZ0QQz0LnAmDJZ8reFpAczg8rve_PsvtyxAktPU-A/viewform?usp=sf_link. [As of 2-16-23, there have been -0- responses.] **Please complete the survey by 2-22-23.**

Thanks to the Leadership Team: Hope sincerely thanked the Leadership Team for their efforts and commitment to a coordinated system of support for job seekers, learners and employers. Her departure is bitter sweet, but she continues to believe that Samantha Parker will be able to move the One-Stop System efforts even further.

Respectfully Submitted,
Hope Ellsworth, One-Stop Operator
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