



**Executive Committee Meeting
MEETING MINUTES
July 9, 2024, | 4:00 p.m.
Via Email**

Board Members Present

Leanne Liddicoat, Chair	Cathy Sterbenz	Linda Kaminski
Dennis Flabetich, Vice Chair	Chelsea Rullie	
Barbara Cosner, Treasurer	Jonathan Smith	

Staff Present:

Amy Martinez	Meranda Smith
Travis Piatz	Patricia Padilla
Tim Hoerner	

Guests:

None

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order via email on Tuesday, July 9, 2024, at 8:06 am.

Approval of Minutes

The June 11, 2024, and June 13, 2024 (Urgent Meeting) meeting minutes were electronically presented.

Linda Kaminski moved to approve the June 11, 2024, and June 13, 2024 (Urgent Meeting) Executive Committee meeting minutes, as electronically presented, seconded by Dennis Flabetich. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda was electronically presented, with the following items listed below.

- 07-24-001 May 2024 Financial Statements
- 07-24-002 PY23 CRF Mod. Revision
- 07-24-003 PY23 State EcSA Mod. 2

Linda Kaminski moved to approve the items on the consent agenda, as electronically presented, seconded by Dennis Flabetich. Motion carried.

PY24 State Economic Security for All (EcSA)

Washington State Substitute House Bill 2230 was enacted into law on March 14, 2024, and established the Economic Security for All (EcSA) program. The law, which took effect on June 6, 2024, aims to support low-income families in escaping poverty by improving access to existing services and addressing gaps in federal funding. The South Central Workforce (SCW) has been providing the EcSA program for over two years with state and federal funds. The EcSA program collaborates with partners to identify individuals experiencing poverty or demonstrating financial need. The program will streamline service delivery to help these individuals achieve self-sufficiency. Key activities include conducting household assessments to connect individuals with supportive services such as housing, personal stability, and financial stability. Services are to ensure individuals can focus on career planning and/or subsidized job training. The Business Navigator will act as a liaison between employers and various available programs. They will assist employers in refining their entry-level hiring processes and develop upskill/backfill strategies, work experiences, on-the-job training, and unsubsidized placement opportunities. The SCW has received the Program Year 2024 (PY24) State EcSA grant in the amount of \$794,417 from the Employment Security Department, which is effective July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025. People For People will serve 68 individuals experiencing poverty and 28 demonstrating financial need. When appropriate, People For People will co-enroll in WIOA Adult, Dislocated Worker, or Youth Programs.

Linda Kaminski moved to approve the PY24 State Economic Security for All (EcSA) as electronically presented, seconded by Dennis Flabetich. Motion carried.

PY24 Commerce WorkFirst

The South Central Workforce (SCW) has been awarded the PY24 Commerce WorkFirst contract in the amount of \$2,146,025 to serve participants in the Community Jobs (CJ) and Community Works (WC) programs. The WorkFirst subcontracts will be based on historical Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) county allocations (Yakima County 87%, Kittitas County 6.5%, and Klickitat and Skamania Counties 6.5%). As in past years, the staff proposes to retain 15% to provide oversight, coordination, and overall management of the project.

Linda Kaminski moved to approve the PY24 Commerce WorkFirst as electronically presented, seconded by Dennis Flabetich. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned on Tuesday, July 9, 2024, at 12:28 p.m.