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**COG Meeting Friday March 22, 2024 10:00 AM**

**In person at the Harrison Co JSF Office, 520 N Main Street Cadiz, OH**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes (Sept 15, 2023)

4. Financial/Participants Reports (Rob and Rebecca)

* Financial Report (Oct 2023) *Approved WDB16 33-2023*
* Financial Report (Jan 2024) *Approved WDB16 01-2024*
* Allocation vs Expense Report
* State Audit update

Transfers:

Business Resource Network (BRN) return funding to state $15,000

Accept and expend $17,000 from ODJFS for rebranding activities in WDA16.

Accept $86,511 of supplemental WIOA Youth funding, with priority redistribution to Belmont County.

Bills to Pay:

RFG Associates Inc. reimbursement for hotspot for VR headsets $1,075.07

5. Staff to the Board Report

* TransfrVR update
* Virtual Job Fairs
* Gener8tor on-line IT training
* GRIT (Growing Rural Independence Together)
* WDB16 Board reauthorization with ODJFS
* Ohio Means Jobs Re-Branding
* Jason Project
* Rapid Response Plan update
* Broadband OU
* Belmont Co Job Fair April 17, 2024 1-4pm

1. OMJ Operations Report (Belmont, Carroll, Harrison, and Jefferson)
2. **Appalachian Regional Initiative for Stronger Economics (ARISE) Grant:** Authorize $1,000

toward a grant writer if Regional ARISE $500,000 planning concept paper, focusing on

improving/expanding pre and apprenticeship programs is invited for submission. *Approved WDB16 34-2023*

1. **Data Share Agreement**: Authorize the Staff to the Board to negotiate and to have signed the Data Share Agreement with ODJFS. *Approved WDB16 4-2024*
2. **GRIT:** Authorize entering an MOU with WDA1 for $400,000-$500,000 of GRIT funding through 2025 to address gaps in WDA16 workforce services. *Approved WDB16 5-2024*
3. **BuildEd:** Authorize the purchase of up to 10 client units of *BuildEd Career Ownership, Performance and Advancement Training at $*965/client, not to exceed $9,650. This training will be used with selected at-risk OMJ clients as a demonstration of the programs’ effectiveness. *Approved WDB16 06-2024*
4. Other Discussion: **Make up May 2024 meeting for missed December meeting?**

1. Next Meetings – **Fri June 21, 2024 10am Cadiz**

**Fri Sept 27, 2024 10am Cadiz Fri Dec 20, 2024 10am Cadiz**

1. Adjournment