

Tri County JSEC Meeting Thursday, October 20, 2011

Introduction: Introductions were made as Cele Pohle was present.

Present: Keri Hill, Jackie Bonney, Julie Shelton, Cele Pohle, Marilyn Ohman, Cal Boyle, and Shirley Cortright.

Minutes Approved: Cele motioned, seconded by Keri to approve minutes as written.

Treasurers Report: Balance remains the same \$1350.40; held discussion regarding the confusion on the account the previous month. We took in the same amount on the Safety Writer class as what it cost us so our balance remained the same.

Job Services Updates: Level funded for this year for training funding not sure what is going to happen with funding after that. Currently looking at cuts but that can always change. TAA funding passed, noted system change for UI claimants remaining active. Marilyn noted the push to follow the guidelines for UI due to the amount of overpayments nationwide.

MSEC Meeting Update: Shirley discussed meeting and some of the items they covered such as possibility of co-hosting employer sensing meeting with local JSEC; the website has been updated with lots of the items requested at previous meeting; was suggested that the MSEC provide State MSEC members a packet covering by-laws, structure, etc – would like to take this further locally and provide one to each member. Shirley will handle this as soon as the MSEC gets some items together.

Safety Fest: Provided agenda and dates for the upcoming Safety FestMT training in Missoula, December 5-9, 2011. Full agenda, registration and course outlines available on website, Shirley will send that to all members via e-mail. It was noted that some classes fill up fast so to be sure to register early.

Posting Requirements: New posters for minimum wage change & Labor Relations Act were provided to everyone. Didn't think we would print new 5-in-1 posters at this time.

Purchasing of Gadget for Job Corp Class: Marilyn suggested we check with Safety & Health to see if they have items they would donate. Cele suggested we check with WIC regarding water bottles they have; possibly check the Community Hospital. Cele will check with Lickety Print in Deer Lodge and Jackie will check with Upper Thread.

Business Needs/Advice for Job Service: Fairmont remodeling sleeping rooms, Montana Lodging & Hospitality meeting at Fairmont next week; they are having a Murder Mystery Theme that should be fun; still busy November slowed down some. Montana is up 3.7 % for August and Butte, Anaconda, Deer Lodge, Missoula area up 7%.

Cele reported that they have a proposal to use old hospital for assisted living facility has to remain non-profit. Cuts in county as positions have been vacated they have chosen not to fill some of them.

Noted they have buy sell on big yellow building if everything goes well will employ about 40 people.

Maureen was absent but indicated Philipsburg had a short but very good summer, also felt that lots of local individuals were working in oil field.

Next Meeting Thursday, November 17th