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Dialogue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● “Utah’s Plan for a Stronger Future: Five and Ten Year Plan to Address Intergenerational Poverty.” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ This represents a key turning point in our efforts to empower Utah families to unlock their full economic potential. In the coming months, we’ll begin discussing evidence-based strategies and best practices to achieve the goals outlined in the report.</li> <li>○ We are now turning from simply using research to understand the issue, to proposing policies to fix it. To be successful, this effort also requires the involvement of all our community partners: government at all levels, educational institutions, service providers, faith-based organizations, advocates and the business community.</li> <li>○ This Plan focuses on four domains: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Recommendations for Early Childhood Development.</li> <li>2. Recommendations for Education.</li> <li>3. Recommendations for Family Economic Stability.</li> <li>4. Recommendations for Health.</li> </ol> </li> </ul> </li> <li>● DWS Office/Staff Moves: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The Wasatch Front South Service Area, the WIA (Workforce Information Act) Youth Team also knowns as the LYFE (Lifting Youth to Future Employment) Team will move from the 1385 South State Street office to our Taylorsville office 5735 South Redwood Road. This change of address is effective 6/18/2015.</li> <li>○ Almost 70% of the youth customers participating in the program reside in the south and southwest part of Salt Lake County.</li> <li>○ We are able to save the State approximately \$75,000 annually by relocating this team.</li> <li>○ We are improving services to participants of the WIA Youth program by providing those services from a full service employment center.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● 2015 Child Care Program Changes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Upfront Child Care - establishes a quick eligibility determination for up to two months for a child care subsidy applicant. It allows the applicant to secure child care and maintain their employment, as</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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	<p>payment for services is secured.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Job Search Child Care – (JSCC) program is designed to assist existing Child Care customers who lose employment with continued Child Care assistance while seeking new employment. An eligible customers can receive a maximum of two full months of JSCC.</li> <li>○ Automating the 980 Child Care Subsidy Worksheet and Simplified Participation - In an ongoing effort to simplify the eligibility process, the 980 Child Care Subsidy Worksheet is now automated.</li> <li>● Utah Cluster Acceleration Partnership (UCAP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Strengthening alignment between industry needs and educational programs with key partnerships.</li> <li>○ Goals and Objectives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Increase Economic Cluster Connectivity and Educational Alignment</li> <li>▪ Respond to Industry Identified Skill Gaps</li> <li>▪ Enhance the Role of the Regional Institutions in Economic Development</li> <li>▪ Promote Regional Stewardship of grantees’ Contributions to Workforce Development</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ The focus for this year’s RFG was rolled out at the Utah State Capitol on Wednesday, April 1, 2015.</li> <li>○ All applications are due by 5:00 pm on May 26, 2015.</li> <li>○ The RFGA may be found at <a href="http://jobs.utah.gov/edo/rfg/ucap/index.html">http://jobs.utah.gov/edo/rfg/ucap/index.html</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>● Identity Theft <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Working to develop Identity Theft Policy. Implement identity verification for online claims filing and skip tracing program for benefit overpayment collections.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Nate McDonald shared DWS’s Online Dashboards with the group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The Department of Workforce Services has a team of economists and researchers who analyze economic data and statistics statewide. In addition, the department provides funding for several community</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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Chairman's Report	<p>programs focused on increasing employment opportunities. These dashboards can help you learn more about the state of the economy and impact to programs in your county.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ To access these dashboards go to: <a href="http://jobs.utah.gov/wi/statewide/index.html">http://jobs.utah.gov/wi/statewide/index.html</a></li> <li>○ There is a short tutorial on how to use the dashboards.</li> <li>● Jason Brown, PR Manager from Envision Utah <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Join us in the Your Utah Your Future Process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Jason asked the group for support from their organizations to help motivate 50,000 Utahans to participate in the Your Utah, Your Future survey. With enough public participation, we will be able to create a vision for Utah's growth that has the public resolve necessary to drive change and ensure we're prepared for the future.</li> <li>▪ The survey is now live and will be available at <a href="http://envisionutah.org">envisionutah.org</a> through May 31. Jason invited the group to participate and share the survey among their networks.</li> <li>▪ Visit this link to download an email template, social media posts, images, logos and other content to help you share the survey: <a href="http://bit.ly/shareyourutah">http://bit.ly/shareyourutah</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Chairman's Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The Executive Committee met on March 12, 2015. Items discussed include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ American Apprenticeship Initiative –DOL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Submission deadline is April 30<sup>th</sup></li> <li>▪ 25 grants nationwide \$2.5-\$5 M</li> <li>▪ Must serve 300 apprentices in 5 years if requesting \$2.5-2.9 M</li> <li>▪ Workforce Investment System is not a required but a recommended public partner.</li> <li>▪ UVU is the only known submitter.</li> <li>▪ Cybersecurity – Add apprenticeship model and academic credit for work.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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<p>Legislative Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Partners: MATC, GOED, UTC, Centro Hispano, Utah Valley Chamber, CTE Board Office of Apprenticeship.</li> <li>○ Investing in Manufacturing Community Partnerships –EDA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ In partnership with DOL, Depts of: Defense, Education, Energy, Housing and Urban Development, Transportation, Agriculture, EPA, NSF, SBA, NIST</li> <li>▪ Submitted April 1, 2015</li> <li>▪ Up to 12 new communities designated.</li> <li>▪ Two year designation with renewal possibilities.</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Karla gave a WIOA Update.</li> <li>○ The group talked about Order of Selection.</li> </ul> <p><b>Legislative Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● We have completed another successful legislative session, coming out of it with key wins. I’m pleased to say the legislature signaled clear support for Workforce Services’ role through the passage of B21, which reauthorizes the existence of the Department of Workforce Services indefinitely.</li> <li>● Additional bills that affect operations at DWS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ HB 337- This creates a Career and Technical Education board within our department. We’ll help to survey and catalogue the CTE efforts throughout Utah, to help policy makers better coordinate those resources.</li> <li>▪ SB 42- allows Workforce Services to use some of the reimbursements from the General Assistance program.</li> <li>▪ SB 292 – Commonly called “ABLE” Act (Achieving a Better Life Experience), this bill creates a tax credit system for people with disabilities. Workforce Services will be conducting a study to help provide useful information and data for this program, and report back to the legislature.</li> <li>▪ Our job growth fund, which fuels programs like our Utah Cluster Acceleration Partnership, remained intact for the coming year.</li> <li>▪ The legislature approved \$1 million for the Olene Walker Housing</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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Order of Selection	<p>Fund, and \$1 million for the Pamela Atkinson Homeless Trust Fund for the coming year. These entities both play a vital role in helping homeless Utahns improve their situation and this funding will have a significant positive impact.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ HB 21 - this bill modifies the Legislative Oversight and Sunset Act by removing the repeal date of Title 35A.</li> <li>▪ HB 65 – This bill removes certain limitations on education and training assistance for participant in the Family Employment Plan. Allowing the Unemployment Insurance Division to disclose certain information to a division of the United States Department of Labor.</li> <li>▪ HB 198 – This bill creates the Strengthening College and Career Readiness Program, a grant program for local education agencies, to improve students’ college and career readiness through enhancing the skill level of school counselors to provide college and career counseling and directs the State Board of Education to develop a certificate for school counselors that certifies that a school counselor is highly skilled at providing college and career counseling.</li> <li>▪ HB 232 – This bill allows private, non-public employers to create a voluntary, written veterans employment preference program. Authorizes private sector, non-public employers to create a voluntary veteran employment preference program.</li> <li>▪ HB 348 – This bill reduces penalties for specified offenses involving controlled substances and provides that specified penalties be increased for subsequent conviction for the same offenses.</li> </ul> <p><b>Order of Selection</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Order of Selection is a system or method for prioritizing the clients a VR agency. The Federal Government allows VR agencies to use an Order of Selection when a VR agency does not have enough money and/or staff to serve everyone who is eligible.</li> <li>• Gordon Swensen, Statewide Director of Strategic Alliances presented a slideshow to the group. A copy of the slideshow was provided in the packet.</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The slideshow covered the following information:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ What is an Order of Selection?</li> <li>○ Why is USOR going on an Order of Selection?</li> <li>○ Order of Selection Implementation.</li> <li>○ Priority Categories.</li> <li>○ What are the Priority Categories?</li> <li>○ Determining significance of a disability.</li> <li>○ Order of Selection Wait List information.</li> <li>○ What services can be provided to clients on the Wait List?</li> <li>○ What about clients with employment plans?</li> <li>○ Wait List monitoring.</li> <li>○ How are clients moved off the Waiting List?</li> <li>○ When will the order of selection end?</li> <li>○ Closing points.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
WIOA Update	<p><b>WIOA Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), signed into law on July 22, 2014, is the first legislative reform of the public workforce system in 15 years. WIOA presets an extraordinary opportunity to improve job and career options for our nation’s workers and jobseekers through an integrated, job-driven public workforce system that links diverse talent to businesses. It supports the development of strong, vibrant regional economies where businesses thrive and people want to live and work.</li> <li>• WIOA retains the nationwide system of one-stop centers, which directly provide an array of employment services and connects customers to work related training and education.</li> <li>• More information was included in the packet.</li> </ul>	
Economic Service Area Report UB/CC/SE	<p><b>Economic Service Area Report UB/CC/SE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daggett, Duchesne, Uintah, Carbon, Emery, Grand and San Juan counties.</li> <li>• Shelly Ivie provided the group with a one page report covering the following:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A snapshot of Economic Conditions and how DWS Services supports</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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Committee Reports	<p>the economy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Employer and Education Connections, Partnerships and Activities.</li> <li>○ Job placements.</li> <li>○ Community Connections, Partnerships and Activities.</li> <li>○ DWS Support Service Benefits</li> </ul> <p><b>Committee Reports</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Committees combined sessions with Dani Natter. Dani gave a powerful presentation on the students she serves, many who will never attend college. The Committees talked about how to reach these kids, and help them get certificates or training if they are not interested in USHE-level education. Committees will continue to learn ways to communicate down to the High School level about education options other than USHE.</li> <li>● Operations and Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Report on WorkKeys from Sara Stoffers.</li> <li>○ Dani Natter gave a stimulating presentation on Career Opportunities in High School. Moving forward this Committee will be looking for ways to increase awareness and engage students.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● State Youth Council and Youth Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Marty Kelly reported on Adult Ed/ GED's and Diplomas.</li> <li>○ Reviewed Wasatch Front North's Successes and Challenges facing Youth.</li> <li>○ The National Guard talked about opportunity's for individuals ages 18 to 24.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Apprenticeships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Grant presentation from Lynn Purdin.</li> <li>○ Reviewed and approved Charter.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
New Business	<p><b>New Business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No new business or Public Comment</li> </ul>	