

Capitol Region Council of Governments

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JOBS ACCESS TASK FORCE MEETING MINUTES

November 17, 2011

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>
Shelly Henderson	CWP
Al Sylvestre	CT DOL
Artie Owens	CT Works
Sandra Sheehan	GHTD
David Lee	CTTransit
Bill McKinstry	NBT
Ellen Lawrence	CDOT
Lisa Rivers	CDOT
Robin Maillett	CT DSS
Mario Marrero	CRCOG
Jennifer Carrier	CRCOG

Guests

Sonserae Cicero	HomeGoods
Carla Gaouette	Community Enterprises

1. Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 9:34a.m.

2. Public Forum

Carla Gaouette from Community Enterprises spoke regarding a program, similar to the Walgreens program a few years back, being initiated to train individuals for HomeGoods (approx 40) and Mohegan Sun (approx 60). One of the issues is they currently use the 2nd shift Home Goods bus to return to downtown Hartford after work around 12:-12:15am. When they arrive, there is no transportation to get them home. They live in numerous communities throughout the region. Eight months ago, HomeGoods began a 3rd shift operation but there is no issue with transportation.

3. Adoption of Meeting Minutes

A motion made by Dave Lee, and seconded by Lisa Rivers, to approve the meeting minutes for September was approved with one abstention (Al Sylvestre).

4. Staff Report

- a. Monthly ridership/service review - Staff reviewed the monthly summary of services along with the ridership report for September/October. The ridership for September was 4,136 and October was 4,254.
- b. Jobs Access Program Update – Lisa Rivers informed us that Ways to Work emailed them and withdrew their application for funding to begin a program to assist individuals with car loans. They could not secure the necessary match.
- c. 2012 Jobs Access Meeting Schedule – Staff reviewed 2102 schedule. CT DSS asked us to wait until we hear back from them before officially announcing the schedule.

5. Program Planning

- a. Bylaws Review/Discussion – Jennifer reviewed changes in the bylaws and the new Title VI section.

6. Service Review/Service Requests

- a. Bus Passes – It was decided to look into the need for bus passes since the demand has not been high.
No action was taken at this time.

7. Other Business

- a.

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:27a.m.