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September 10, 2008

8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Missouri Department of Higher Education

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Janelle Jaegers and Bridget White.

Missouri Mentor Initiative – Kristen Slaughter & John Suggs

Kristen Slaughter and John Suggs, of Big Brothers, Big Sisters, gave a presentation on the Missouri Mentoring Initiative. Below is a little bit of background behind the Missouri Mentoring Initiative:

- In 2007, Governor Blunt created the Missouri Mentor Initiative (MMI). The MMI is currently coordinated by the Lt. Governor's office.
- In 2007-2008, under the initiative, up to 200 full-time state employees were eligible to mentor in Missouri public schools for up to 40 hours annually.
- Big Brothers, Big Sisters would like to serve 300 children for the upcoming school year (2008-2009).
- So far, there have been 102 matches rolled over into the 2008-2009 school year.
- As of the presentation, they have received 113 new applications.
- They have set recruitment goals for the for the next fiscal year, they include:
 - Columbia – 25 Matches
 - Jefferson City – 75 Matches
 - Springfield – 40 Matches
 - Kansas City – 30 Matches
 - Joplin – 15 Matches
 - St. Louis – 115 Matches

For the complete presentation, please refer to the attachment.

OA Personnel – Guy Krause

Guy mentioned there has been a recent change to the Division of Personnel website, under the recruiting and benefits section.

The Division of Personnel is trying to get the pay plan development started earlier, especially in regards to the meetings regarding nurses.

Short term – Division of Personnel is down one staff member in certification and they are struggling with getting certifications approved. Guy asked that the agencies help with this process if available.

OA Accounting – Libbie Farrell

Libbie was not present so there was no update.

OA – Roxy Florres

Roxy talked about the 2008 State of Missouri Career Fair sponsored by the Office of Administration and the Workforce Diversity Council. They will be sending out the flier on Friday and if your agency's logo is not on the flier and you would like for it to be; then please let her know as soon as possible.

Also, the application is currently on the website, and if you have any questions you may contact Mechelle Raney at the Department of Natural Resources.

The next meeting will be October 8th, at 8:30 a.m. at the Missouri Department of Higher Education.

The meeting was adjourned.