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I'm going to make an executive decision and move forward with asking ACT to revise their proposal to include Career Ready 101. I only heard back from or talked to a few of you, mostly positive, but I have not gotten a majority vote. If you have an issue with this, please let me know asap.

More to come later.....

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Dear All,

We asked ACT how much our contract would increase if we included the "soft skills" courseware, since we are requiring counties to conduct a talent assessment.

We are already paying for the KeyTrain at \$250,000. To add the soft skills courseware only, it would be an additional \$80,000. However, to add the Career Ready 101 courseware that includes the soft skills piece plus a variety of other modules like financial planning, etc., it would cost us an additional \$100,000. I would say for an extra \$20,000, we should go with the Career Ready 101 but I wanted to make sure that was okay with the group so please let me know your thoughts.

We (the SWIB) had set aside funds for the printing of the NCRC's and the WIN courseware and have some money left over that we can contribute to the pot since we'll continue to pay for registration, printing and courseware. I have run the numbers and attached an updated budget sheet. Even with the increase in the budget, we still have a cushion of over \$600K.

Please let me know your thoughts and I'll ask that the contract proposal be revised.

Thanks, EK