

Workforce Investment Board of Will County

Location: Prairie Bluff Golf Course

19433 Renwick Road, Lockport

December 8, 2014

Minutes

BOARD MEMBERS					
Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Nancy Baldwin	X		Colleen Mathy	X	
Tom Bloodgood		X	Cheryl McCarthy		X
Herb Brooks		X	Peter McLenighan	X	
Jayne Cain Casimere		X	Don Moran		X
Vincent Clark	X		Jim Moustis		X
Debra Daniels	X		Pat Mudron	X	
Gregory Dover	X		Peggy O'Leary	X	
Susan Flessner	X		Jim Rink	X	
Beth Gonzalez	X		Steve Rockwell	X	
John Greuling		X	Suzanne Sallay		X
Pam Heavens	X		Christine Sanchez		X
Rita Herrick	X		Gregory Shephard	X	
Lyle Hicks		X	Jerry Staley	X	
Carlos Interrial		X	Joe Strong	X	
Matthew Janiak		X	Anika Todd	X	
Mark Jepson	X		James Tromp	X	
Allison Lizzadro		X	Betty Yott		X

Others Present: Melanie Arthur, Mary Gajcak, Nick Palmer, Gina Tuminello, Paige Vanderhyden.

Welcome and Minutes

Jim Tromp called the meeting to order. The minutes of the October 20, 2014 meeting were approved on a motion by Greg Dover, seconded by Pat Mudron.

New Business

Associated Builders & Contractors submitted a request to change their recently approved Apprenticeship Welding program. The program was originally approved as a four-year/\$30,000 program in which the student would need to complete the entire program to receive their apprenticeship card. ABC requested breaking the program down into four levels where after each successfully completed level the student will receive a Certificate of Completion. ABC is requesting approval of level one and level two at this time. The two programs were approved on a motion by Greg Dover, seconded by Pete McLenighan. Joe Strong voted no on the motion. Joliet Junior College submitted a request to recertify Process Operations Technology. Tuition for this program is increasing by \$200 for a total of \$2,400. The request was approved on a motion by Pete McLenighan, seconded by Greg Dover.

Manager's Report

Susan Flessner presented an update on the Accelerated Training for Illinois Manufacturing Project (ATIM). The region has exceeded the contract goal of 177 customers enrolled in the program. There are currently 218 customers enrolled in manufacturing training in the Collar

Counties as of November 21st. The region will continue to enroll people in the program until all funds are expended.

Flessner presented an overview of a regional project, Job Driven NEG Grant. The State awarded \$3.1 million to the Workforce Boards of Lake, DuPage and Will County to provide services, occupational and work-based training, certifications and job placement in the Information Technology sector. A subcontractor, TEC Services was selected to deliver the program on behalf of the region.

Tromp mentioned that several informational items were in the Board packet including an update on the Waste Management Veterans' Internship project, Layoff Report, Fiscal Report, Dashboard Reports, and the 2015 meeting schedule.

WIOA Overview and Implementation

Melanie Arthur gave a presentation on preparing for the Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA). She discussed background information on the Workforce Investment Act (WIA), highlighted the changes related to local programs, structures and operations in the new act, and discussed the implementation timeline.

Next Meeting

The next Workforce Investment Board meeting will be on February 9, 2015 at 7:30 am at Prairie Bluff Golf Course in Lockport.