

**System and Trends Committee**  
**Workforce Investment Board of Will County**  
**Location: Joliet Junior College, Renaissance Center,**  
**214 N. Ottawa St, Joliet, Room 519**  
**July 9, 2014**

**Minutes**

<b>System and Trends Committee</b>					
Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Jayme Cain Casimere		X	Pat Mudron	X	
Susan Flessner	X		Jim Rink		X
John Greuling		X	Suzanne Sallay		X
Rita Herrick	X		Gayle Stricklin		X
Carlos Interrial		X	Anika Todd		X
Mark Jepson	X		Jim Tromp	X	
Emilie McCallister		X	Paige Vanderhyden	X	
Pete McLenighan	X		Betty Yott		X
Don Moran		X			

Others Present: Pat Fera, Mary Gajcak, John Skaggs, Gina Tuminello

***Welcome and Approval of Minutes***

Mark Jepson called the meeting to order. Introductions were done. The minutes of the May 14, 2014 meeting were approved on a motion by Jim Tromp, seconded by Susan Flessner.

***Program Certification***

Joliet Junior College submitted five programs for consideration to be added to the Illinois State Provider Certification list: Electronics Engineering Technology (Associate of Applied Science), Basic Electronics (Certificate of Completion), Automotive Service Technology (Certificate of Completion), Industrial Welding Technology (Associate of Applied Science), and Basic Welding. All five programs met the minimum requirements and were recommended for approval. The recommendation was approved on a motion by Pat Mudron, seconded by Jim Tromp. Paige Vanderhyden abstained from the vote.

***Workforce and Labor Force Analysis***

Pat Fera gave the Committee a definition of labor force versus workforce. Currently the focus has been on the labor force, what industries are growing, identifying key industry sectors, and making sure we have training programs geared toward those demand occupations. There was a discussion about the long-term unemployed and their chances of finding work after being unemployed for more than six months. Fera proposed bringing together employers and elected officials to talk about the issues of hiring long-term unemployed.

### ***Career Certified Program***

Pat Fera gave an update on the Certified Work Ready Community initiative. Several partners including Joliet Junior College, Workforce Investment Board of Will County, and the Will County Center for Economic Development have endorsed the Certified Work Ready Community initiative and committed to being a partner in the formal project application. The application will be submitted shortly and the initiative will be rolled out.

### ***Service Analysis Report PY13***

The Service Analysis Report is an overview of the services provided to customers in an entire fiscal year. The Committee looked at a draft of the charts for PY13. Analysis will be added and the final report will be reviewed at the September meeting. Fera asked members to review the charts and contact her with any feedback.

### ***Dashboard Reports***

The Committee reviewed the most recent Dashboard Report. This report gives a snapshot of customers served, dollars spent on training by industry sector, job growth and unemployment rates. The Committee also reviewed the most current Job Openings report.

### ***Next Meeting***

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at 7:30am at Joliet Junior College Renaissance Center, 214 N. Ottawa Street, Room 519, Joliet.