

**System and Trends Committee  
Workforce Investment Board of Will County  
March 13, 2013  
Location: Joliet Junior College, Renaissance Center,  
214 N. Ottawa St, Joliet, Room 519**

**Minutes**

<b>System and Trends Committee</b>					
Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Jayne Cain Casimere		X	Pete McLenighan	X	
Susan Flessner	X		Don Moran	X	
Cornell Graves		X	Pat Mudron	X	
John Greuling	X		Jim Rink		X
Rita Herrick	X		Suzanne Sallay	X	
Lou Dawn Howard		X	Gayle Stricklin		X
Mark Jepson	X		Jim Tromp	X	
Dan Kreidler		X	Paige Vanderhyden	X	
Emilie McCallister	X		Betty Yott		X

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

***Welcome and Approval of Minutes***

Pat Fera called the meeting to order. The minutes of the January 9, 2013 meeting were approved on a motion by Jim Tromp, second by Susan Flessner.

***Program Certification***

Two new programs were submitted for consideration to be added to the Illinois Provider Certification list: Governors State University – Information Security Certificate and Master’s in Occupational Therapy. Both programs met the minimal requirements and were approved on a motion by Don Moran, seconded by Pete McLenighan.

***Demand Occupation List 2013-2014***

Every two years the Demand Occupation is reviewed. The Committee reviewed the Demand list for 2013-2014. After a discussion, it was determined that Heating/Air Conditioning/Refrigeration Mechanics/Installers should be removed from the list. There is an apprentice program available through the trades and that is one of the criteria that determines what is included on the list. The updated list, with the elimination of the HVAC occupation was approved on a motion by Don Moran, seconded by Suzanne Sallay.

***Workforce Analysis***

The final Survey Report on the Manufacturing/Transportation/Logistics Survey was distributed. The next steps are to bring the task force and education partners together

to discuss the gaps and analyze whether specific skills are being offered. There were eight employers that offered to sit down and meet with task force.

### ***Manufacturing Innovation Grant Update***

The State received 11 million dollars for an Illinois Pathways Initiative Grant. Five workforce areas in the Chicago Metro Region partnered along with seven community colleges and seven Centers for Economic Development to apply for this grant. This grant will be used to develop, evaluate and sustain regional manufacturing partnerships that coordinate state economic development, workforce and education resources to meet the immediate needs of employers and job seekers in Manufacturing.

### ***Dashboard Reports***

The Committee reviewed the most recent Dashboard Reports. The Overview report was revised slightly. The first page is geared toward job growth and unemployment in Will County and the second page is geared toward services offered to job seekers by Workforce Services Division of Will County. The Job Openings report was reviewed and no modifications were suggested.

### ***Next Meeting***

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 8, 2013 at 7:30am at Joliet Junior College Renaissance Center, 214 N. Ottawa Street, Room 519, Joliet.