

**Communications Committee
Workforce Investment Board of Will County**

Location: Workforce Center of Will County, 2400 Glenwood Avenue, Joliet

**July 21, 2020
Minutes**

Committee Members:					
Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Tracy Ardis		X	Scott Kettman	X	
Jayne Cain Casimere		X	Paul Lauridsen		X
Susan Flessner	X		Judy Mitchell*	X	
Beth Gonzalez	X		Pat Mudron*	X	
Carlos Interrial	X		Josh Potter	X	
Others present:					
Sue Davinger	Mary Gajcak		Caroline Portlock	Cornell Lurry	

***Meeting occurred virtually via Webex**

Welcome

Co-Chair Mitchell called the meeting to order.

Minutes

The minutes of January 21, 2020 meeting were approved unanimously by roll call on a motion by Gonzalez, second by Potter.

Business Services Team Scott Kettman reported:

Business Services

- A virtual Business Services Webinar was presented and attended by 33 attendees
- Regional Business Team has met monthly, and will soon be held every three weeks or so.
- A quarterly Business Services newsletter has been created; to be distributed electronically and available online.
- Will County small businesses applied for about \$1 million from the Emergency (1E) Grant made available through the Illinois Department of Labor. Approximately \$55,000 was approved by the State.

Upcoming Event:

- WCWC will host its first Drive-Through Job Fair in the back parking lot of the Center on Tuesday, August 4th from 9-11:00 am.

Publications

Regional Workforce Partners has distributed a letter to Northeastern Illinois Congressional Legislators urging them to include additional funds for the WIOA system in upcoming COVID-19 legislation. Will County Workforce Board will author a separate letter for local and State legislators, County Board, and elected officials. (A draft of the letter will be sent to Communications Committee members for review/editing before sending.)

Service Analysis Report

The Service Analysis Report for PY19 will be modified to reflect changes made due to Covid-19.

State Video

Annual State recognition of local winners will be awarded via video, which will be viewed on The State and WCWC websites

Next Meeting

The next Communications Committee meeting is scheduled for October 20, 2020.