

REGION 7
Regional Workforce Investment Board
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, July 17, 2014 – 4:00 p.m.
IowaWORKS
3420 University Ave.
Waterloo, IA

Workforce Investment Board

Present

Reid Koenig
Linda Laylin
Lisa Lorenzen
Ken Kammeyer
Deb Collette

Representing

Business
Business
Labor
County Elected
Business

Absent

Quentin Hart
Casey McLaughlin
Natalie Kracht
Donita Dettmer
Janis Cramer
Craig White
Josh Schmidt

City Elected
Community College
Business
Labor
Labor
Labor
Business

State Staff

Doug Keast

Program Coordinator

Workforce Partners

Ronee Slagle
Jeanie Wright
Aaron Sauerbrei
Debra Hodges-Harmon
Michele Clark

IowaWORKS Workforce Development
IowaWORKS Hawkeye Community College
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Deb Collette, Vice Chair commenced the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

- Not approved – no Quorum

Approval of RWIB Minutes

- Not approved – no Quorum

New Business

- New Board Members were not present. Doug Keast, Jeanie Wright & Ronee Slagle will arrange an Orientation for them before the September meeting.
- Region 7's RWIB is under "Conditional Certification" because previous board member Nick Power's Board resume was not submitted before the 6/30/14 deadline.
 - To become unconditionally certified, the two vacant positions must be filled by 9/30/14.
 - It is required that a minimum of two names are submitted to the Governor's office, for each position.
 - Please submit candidates for a Labor position and a School position.
- Jeanie Wright passed out IowaWORKS year-end statistics showing the number of job seekers utilizing the one-stops & demographics.
 - Board members were curious if a query would show the town/county of residence for job seekers? Who visits which centers? Wright will check into getting this information.

Old Business

- RWIB Goals:
 - Michele Clark, WIA Youth Team Lead shared information about the Youth Advisory Council (YAC) with the Board.
 - She passed out the YAC member list including the organizations represented
 - The purpose of the YAC was described and how they may assist with the Strategic Goal #4.
 - An RWIB representative is needed for the YAC, filling Nick Powers vacancy.
 - Clark's information was also appropriate for Goal #2 (Reduce or eliminate barriers to employment)
 - Wright will work with an IowaWORKS committee to provide a panel discussion regarding barriers to employment for the September meeting.
 - Reid Koenig suggested that if Board members knew of workforce initiatives that other groups and committees were working on, it would be good to share that information at RWIB board meetings.

Announcements

- Reid Koenig asked for more information on the new workforce legislation, WIOA.
- Jeanie Wright announced that Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Northeast Iowa (CCCS) has lost considerable funding due to cut backs from the credit card companies. CCCS is seeking new funding. If any RWIB member is aware of resources, please pass on the information.
 - The next meeting is September 25, 2014.

Adjournment

- The meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.