

**MADISON-BOND
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD
March 19, 2015
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER:

Board Chair, Gerry Schuetzenhofer, called the meeting to order at 7:34 AM.

ROLL CALL (taken already by the roll call list):

Members Present:

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| Donald Abert | Sam Guarino | Dr. John Navin |
| Monica Bristow | Dave Holtgrave | Gerry Schuetzenhofer |
| Rosemarie Brown | Scott Jarmon | David Stoecklin |
| Dr. Robert Daiber | Christopher Johnson | Paul Wellhausen |
| Rhonda DeGonia | Charlie Juneau | Jan Woker |
| Carol Foreman | Ellen Krohne | Rod Wolter |
| Scott Frick | | |

Members Absent:

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| Jeffrey Brasch | Andrew Jones | Kevin Schmidt |
| Gordon Broom | Brenda Walker McCain | Danielle Smith |
| Dr. Dale Chapman | Jack Minner | Joe Stevens |
| Dr. Georgia Costello | Jim Pennekamp | Dale Stewart |
| Robert Glik | Laura Reed | Dr. James Underwood |
| Dionne Jackson | Timothy Scanlon | B. Dean Webb |

Guests and Staff Present:

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| Rich Diak | John Herzog | Terry Lane |
| Alan Dunstan | Matt Jones | Vicki Niederhofer |
| Rich Heinz | Lisa Kenney | Connie Vick |

GROUP DISCUSSION & PRESENTATION:

Ellen Krohne from Leadership Council Southwestern Illinois gave an update on the many economic development efforts underway, including those being led by the Manufacturing Steering Committee. Ellen provided information on the need for entry level as well as skilled workers and the average salary for manufacturing employees in Madison/St. Clair counties (\$81,000 per year, including benefits but not counting overtime). The hard copies of Ellen's presentation will be made available to the WIB members.

David Stoecklin gave a WIA/WIOA "Side by Side" presentation, which highlights the similarities and differences between the old and new workforce legislative acts. David continually reminded everyone that the rules and regulations have not yet been released and some of this could change in the coming months. Some of the changes will be effective July 1st, 2015 and the rest will take effect July 1st, 2016. After a great deal of discussion, David thanked the WIB for their efforts and commitment.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

With no public comment, Gerry Schuetzenhofer moved on to the next agenda item.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (ACTION):

Gerry Schuetzenhofer asked for a motion to approve the December 10, 2014 meeting minutes. The motion was made by Rod Wolter and seconded by Monica Bristow. The minutes were unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:**Executive Committee:**

Gerry Schuetzenhofer presented three items together for approval:

#1) The WIOA Transition Modification to the Five Year Plan. The Executive Committee previously approved the modification, which will allow \$46,877 to be used for WIOA staff training and facilities preparation. Charlie Juneau made a motion for approval and it was seconded by John Navin. The modification was unanimously approved.

#2) The approval to move East Alton One-Stop staff to Wood River and begin the One-Stop Operator RFP process. This had been previously approved by the Executive Committee and the motion to approve was made by Rosemarie Brown and seconded by Sam Guarino. The motion was unanimously approved.

#3) The approval to pursue an ACT Work Ready Community certification for Madison County. David Stoecklin gave a background on the program and after a conference call on March 23rd will have more details on cost, etc. There was also a lengthy discussion about the ACT tests as it relates to careers. Having been endorsed by the Executive Committee, Ellen Krohne made a motion to go forward with finding out more about Work Ready Communities and it was seconded by Don Abert. The motion was unanimously approved.

Supporting Economic Development:

In Jim Pennekamp's absence, David Stoecklin reported that the Business Retention & Expansion visits are still ongoing with the local municipalities and the committee hopes to meet again in April or May.

Membership and Management:

David Stoecklin had no new items to report at this time and suggested that the committee not meet again until WIOA rules and regulations are released.

CIMET:

Paul Wellhausen reported that the committee met on February 25th at the East Alton Worknet Center and the minutes are in the packet. The discussion focused mainly on the new WIOA legislation and the July 1st move of the One-Stop from East Alton to Wood River. The committee will meet again in April.

Communications:

In Laura Reed's absence, David Stoecklin reported that newspaper ads have been run in both counties to generate customers for training and career development assistance. A flyer was also posted on Facebook and distributed to social service agencies in the region. The committee is also working on the Spring E-Newsletter, which should be out in April.

Youth Council:

Rod Wolter reported that the Youth Council met on January 21st and the discussion was mostly about the May 8th Career Day at Collinsville Middle School as well as the WIOA draft youth guidelines. The next meeting will be May 6th and the meeting will focus on any new WIOA youth guideline updates as well as a Career Portfolio presentation by Vicki Niederhofer with IDES. Rod also thanked Connie for her efforts on the Career Day and Connie informed everyone that she was very close to securing her goal of 42 speakers for the event.

Treasurer's Report:

Dave Holtgrave referenced the Treasurer's Report in the packet and asked for questions or comments. With no questions or comments, Dave asked to move on to the next agenda item.

Business Services:

Matt Jones referenced the Business Services Activity Report in the packet. The report covers the period of December 10, 2014 through March 19, 2015.

Great River Workforce Development Corporation:

In Jim Pennekamp's absence, David Stoecklin reported that the committee met on March 9th. The Treasurer's Reports for 2014 and 2015 are in the packet and the current scholarship balance is \$6,614.80. Report ads will be accepted until April. Also, the 2015 scholarship application is in the packet and the deadline for submission is June 5th. Five \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded again this year and the review panel will consist of Jim Pennekamp, Bob Daiber, Charlie Juneau and Rod Wolter.

Other Business:

David Stoecklin referenced the Title 1B report in the packet and discussed ongoing program activities including the One-Stop move, the ATIM grant and the Venice Community Gardens (flyer in the packet).

Dr. Daiber informed everyone that the ROE office would be sponsoring Camp Invention during the first week of June and information would be forwarded to WIB members. Terry Lane from Lewis & Clark Community College reminded everyone that their annual job fair will be held on April 8th and registration information has been previously distributed.

Next Meeting:

Gerry Schuetzenhofer informed everyone that the next WIB meeting is scheduled for June 18th, 2015. Time and location is yet to be determined.

Closing and Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 AM.

Approved By:

David Holtgrave, WIB Secretary Treasurer