

FINGER LAKES WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, September 20, 2017 8:30-10:00am
Wayne Finger Lakes BOCES

ATTENDANCE:

Members: T. Albanese, C. Andrews, D. Culeton, C. Kramer, M. Manikowski, K. Morgan, J. Mueller, L. Parish, J. Pellerite, D. Phillips, M. Rusinko, C. Schillaci, J. Sheppard
Guests: M. Connor Murphy, M. Cook, E. Fairben, T. Bushner, K. Bailey, S. Bentley, A. Cook, J. Davis, L. Friend, M. Lynch, A. McGraw, J. Vrabel
Staff: K. Springmeier, M. Woloson, A. Lesterhuis, J. May
Absent: S. Bischoping, L. Brennan, M. Burnell, M. Churchill, M. Davis, J. DeVault, R. Doebelin, T. Facer, M. Fortune, L. Freid, J. Hamm, D. Hellert, M. Kauffman, D. Maloney, J. McGregor, R. Nye, B. Percy, R. Plympton, A. Sheetz,

Mr. Mueller called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Introductions followed.

ECONOMIC NEWS AND UPDATES

Economic Issues/Trends/Concerns:

- Mr. Mueller – Farm Report – The weather has been fantastic in September and the late corn crop is finishing. Fruits will all be great crops and grain is also having a good year.
- Mr. Phillips – Advanced Manufacturing – GW Lisk is in the seventh year of their machinist training program, with eight people participating. They are struggling to get people interested in machining and manufacturing, and they are still investing in new equipment and technology.
- Mr. Pellerite – Electrical – Union halls throughout the sector have had almost full employment and Mr. Pellerite hopes to see the trend continue. Sixty workers are currently in Florida to help with the hurricane relief effort.

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

- Finance and Audit – Ms. Springmeier – The independent auditors have finished and they will be making a presentation to the Committee in October and to the Board at the November meeting. The full allocation of funds from the state will not be available until October 1st.
- Governance and Membership – Mr. Manikowski – There is still a Seneca County vacancy on the Board.
- Performance and Evaluation – Mr. Rusinko – The Committee last met on August 29th and it was productive as it was an in person meeting rather than a phone conference.
- Marketing and Communication – Ms. Culeton – The Committee met on September 13th and previewed the first installment of On the Job with FLTV. Ms. Culeton also discussed the various ideas to highlight veterans' month in November.
- Youth – Ms. Parish – At the September 13th meeting, the Committee reviewed the registration numbers for FLWWTH and the results from the TANF Summer Program.
- Consortium – Mr. Davis – Recently, there was an in-service day for all employees to allow for review of updates to WIOA, OSOS and employment reports. The Consortium is working with the Marketing Committee to find ways to bring more traffic into the career centers.
- Director's Report – Ms. Springmeier – Mr. Mueller, Mr. Manikowski and Ms. Springmeier met with Senator Pamela Helming and discussed Senator Helming being a member of the Workforce Taskforce and youth training wages. Ms. Springmeier also informed the Board that Mr. Bischoping invited the school superintendents to the FLWWTH event. Twenty-three of twenty-six plan to attend.
- Strategic Plan Update – Ms. Springmeier – Progress report was reviewed, which was sent with the agenda, and the establishment of the Individuals with Disabilities Committee was discussed.

SUCCESS STORY:

Wayne Finger Lakes BOCES Update – Ms. Fairben

Ms. Fairben presented an overview of the different programs available at Wayne Finger Lakes BOCES and their impact on students and the regional economy.

NEW BUSINESS/CONSENT AGENDA:

As the Board did not have a quorum, no new business was addressed.

PRESENTATION:

“Workforce Development in the Age of Automation and Artificial Intelligence” – Mr. Manikowski, Ms. Connor Murphy and Newark Superintendent, Matthew Cook.

The presentation gave a fascinating look at the ever changing future of the workforce and the pros and cons of artificial intelligence in the work place.

Next Board Meeting – Wednesday, November 15, 2017 – Ontario ARC, Canandaigua. A quorum is necessary for approval of business and the annual audit.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made Mr. Sheppard and seconded by Mr. Schillaci. All in favor; motion carried. The Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer May
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