

Finger Lakes Workforce Investment Board, Inc.

VETERANS OUTREACH MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, February 9, 2023

Via Zoom

ATTENDANCE:

Members: Tammy Bresette, Yashira Rodriguez, Phil Rouin, Todd Sloane

Staff: Jen May, Michael Woloson

I. Introductions/Approval of the December 6, 2022 Minutes
Motion to approve the minutes: Mr. Rouin; Seconded by Mr. Sloane

II. Updates from Career Centers

The FLWIB was awarded a grant from NYSDOL to provide a Disability Resource Coordinator. After a search process, David Kelley was selected to fill the position and he is currently in training to provide Benefits Counseling, for people on benefits who would like to return to work. Additionally, FLWIB has contracted with FLACRA to provide Adult and Dislocated Worker services in Seneca County.

III. Roundtable and Other Business

Mr. Sloane shared that FLCC non-credit workforce programs have several sources of funding and veterans are almost always going to be eligible for funding in full. The department can be contacted at workforce@flcc.edu and a list of the programs, which are in-demand in the region, can be found at www.flcc.edu/reimagine/.

Ms. Bresette added that the Farmington AMVETS group is a great resource for veterans for multiple issues and concerns. Ms. Bresette can be contacted at Bresette6@yahoo.com or 262-384-1302.

Ms. Rodriguez will be hosting a second Relocation Experience for Ft Drum soldiers in June, with the capacity for 30 participants. Employer and Veterans Services organizations will be invited to attend, in hopes of enticing exiting soldiers to live and work in the region. Moreover, Ms. Rodriguez has been concentrating on efforts involving Skill Bridge internship opportunities and linking employers. Information about the program can be found at <https://skillbridge.osd.mil/> or you can contact Ms. Rodriguez at Yashira.Rodriguez@greaterrochesterchamber.com.

IV. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:20pm.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 13th at 3pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jen May
Executive Assistant