

**MADISON-BOND  
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD  
JUNE 19, 2013  
MEETING MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Board Chair, Gerry Schuetzenhofer, called the meeting to order at 10:40AM.

**ROLL CALL (using the sign-in sheets):**

**Members Present:**

Rosemarie Brown	Andrew Jones	Dr. James Underwood
Dr. Georgia Costello	Charles Juneau	Chuck Unger
Dr. Robert Daiber	Ellen Krohne	Paul Wellhausen
Rhonda DeGonia	Jim Pennekamp	Rod Wolter
Carol Foreman	Gerry Schuetzenhofer	
Sam Guarino	David Stoecklin	

**Members Absent:**

Don Abert	Dionne Jackson	Kevin Schmidt
Monica Bristow	Scott Jarmon	Joe Stevens
Dr. Dale Chapman	Christopher Johnson	Dale Stewart
Scott Frick	Brenda Walker McCain	B. Dean Webb
Robert Glik	Jack Minner	Jan Woker
David Holtgrave	J. Ronald Payton	Al Womack
Walter Hunter	Laura Reed	

**Guests and Staff Present:**

Alice Bunjan	John Herzog	Vicki Niederhofer
Howard Elmore	Doris Jones	Connie Vick
Richard Heinz		

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There was one public comment, from Andrew Jones, who mentioned that Southwestern Electric is raising rates 7% across the board.

**WELCOME BY DR. GEORGIA COSTELLO:**

Dr Costello welcomed the WIB to the Granite City SWIC Campus and indicated that the board was receiving one of the first tours of the campus's Advanced Manufacturing Complex.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES (ACTION):**

A motion was made by Rod Wolter to approve the March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013 WIB meeting minutes and it was seconded by Andrew Jones. The minutes were unanimously approved.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **Executive Committee:**

David Stoecklin presented the recommendation by the Executive Committee regarding Youth Providers for program year 2013. The providers recommended were our current providers, Madison CUSD and MERS/Goodwill. He also mentioned that the County Board approved these providers at the June board meeting. Gerry Schuetzenhofer asked for a motion to approve. Rosemarie Brown made the motion, and it was seconded by Charlie Juneau. The motion passed unanimously.

David also presented the certified training provider list for program year 2013 for approval. He explained that he would like the entire list approved for the state system so other local WIAs would have access, but requested a second motion to approve, for our LWIA, only the highlighted programs. He further explained that due to our recently negotiated higher performance measures, in order to meet average earnings and employment retention, customers would need to average \$17.00/hr wages and training programs would need to meet a 90% placement rate. The highlighted programs on the list were the ones that made the cut based on criteria provided by the training vendors themselves and/or by our own customer data. David also mentioned that these cuts have become a trend in other LWIAs in the state. After a lengthy discussion by the membership, Gerry entertained a motion first to approve the entire training provider list for the state system. Dr. James Underwood and Dr. Georgia Costello abstained from the vote due to their college representation. Rod Wolter made the motion, Chuck Unger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Gerry then asked for a second motion to approve the restricted list. Dr. Underwood and Dr. Costello again abstained. Bob Daiber made a motion to approve, and it was seconded by Andrew Jones. The motion passed unanimously, but let the minutes reflect an objection made by Dr. Underwood and Dr. Costello about the presence of high cost proprietary school programs on the training provider list.

Gerry talked briefly about GRWDC scholarship fundraising. He charged the board members to try to recruit new business ads for the annual report, which would result in an increase in the number of scholarships that could be offered.

### **Supporting Economic Development:**

Jim Pennekamp reported that the committee has identified additional manufacturers and referrals have been made to support the committee's economic development initiatives.

### **Membership and Management:**

Chuck Unger announced the resignations of board members Mark Tade and Dr. Gary Giamartino. He reported the committee would like to recruit someone else from US Steel and are also actively searching for more new members with hiring and firing responsibilities. Chuck welcomed Howard Elmore, Bond County Board Chairman, to the board meeting. Dr. Georgia Costello offered a recruitment idea of an open house for businesses at SWIC.

**CIMET:**

The GRWDC Committee met on June 12<sup>th</sup> and Howard Elmore, Bond County Board Chairman, joined the committee. 10 scholarship applications have been received and the review committee consisting of Charlie Juneau, Jim Pennekamp and Rod Wolter are currently reviewing applications. 6 scholarships of \$1,000.00 a piece will be awarded for school year 2013-14. Notifications will go out to scholarship winners in July. The meeting minutes are in the packet.

**Communications:**

In Laura Reed's absence, Connie Vick reported that several press releases had been submitted to newspapers since the last meeting; one covering the awards banquet in March and another about the Civic Memorial High School Career Day event. Those releases were published, and they were both included in the members' packets. Also in May, Dan Kelley of the Belleville News Democrat interviewed David and WIA customer Kimberly Brink, a recent nursing graduate of Kaskaskia College. A very complimentary article resulted, entitled "Common Sense Jobs Program", and it appeared in the Belleville News Democrat on Tuesday, May 21, 2013. It was also included in the members' packets.

**Youth Council:**

Rod Wolter reported that the last youth council meeting was held on Wednesday, May 1st. The high school event at Civic Memorial High School was scheduled for the following day, Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the entire student body of 700 students participated. This was a very successful event, and a few of the board members served as speakers. There were a total of 55 speakers presenting on various occupations, and by all accounts, both the students and school staff felt it was a successful event. Next year's career days will be planned with Highland High School and Highland Middle School.

Also discussed was the vendor response to the youth provider Request For Proposal. The Youth Council made a recommendation to continue with the current youth providers, pending budget negotiations, which are the MERS Goodwill Bond County out-of-school program and the Madison High School in-school program.

**Treasurer's Report:**

In Dave Holtgrave's absence, David Stoecklin referenced the Treasurer's Report in the WIB packet.

**Business Services:**

David Stoecklin referenced the Business Services Activity Report in the WIB packet, which covers the period of March 28, 2013 to June 18, 2013.

**Great River Workforce Development Corporation:**

The CIMET committee met via conference call on May 23<sup>rd</sup> and the minutes are in the packet. David Stoecklin gave an update of the Workforce Innovation Funds grant application, which has

since been approved. Also, Paul notified everyone that the MOU is complete except for one partner's signature and cost sharing information. The next conference call will be in July.

**Other Business:**

David Stoecklin referenced the Title 1B PY2012 Report in the packet.

David also discussed the PY 2013 plan modification, pointing out the WIA registrant and budget forms in the packet. He explained that the increase in registrant numbers matched the small increase in WIA funding. Dr. Underwood commended the MCETD staff and the WIB on the responsible way we handle our WIA program and dollars. With no other discussion, Gerry asked for a motion to approve the PY 2013 plan modification. Dr. James Underwood made a motion to approve, and Jim Pennekamp seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by the membership.

David also mentioned the ongoing board initiative at Granite City High School, indicating that this was the second year for the business program. He urged more board members to consider taking part in next year's event.

In closing, David talked about the Jobs Plus 2013 Job Fair to be held on Thursday, September 26, 2013. He asked that the board be more involved in the recruitment of businesses hiring for the event. He also reported that the Workforce Innovation Funds Grant application was approved late May and involves the cooperation efforts of our local education, business, economic development and labor partners. The grant application is for approximately \$1.158 million dollars and is designed to "innovatively" assist area manufacturers in training skilled workers. The WIF budget was cut \$75,000 but enrollment requirements were increased, which will make the grant very challenging to implement. Dave announced that Matt Jones was in Springfield attending the grant workshop training over the past two days.

**Next Meeting:**

Gerry announced the next board meeting will be Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013 with the location and time to be arranged.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned (for the tour and luncheon) at 11:35AM.

Approved By:

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David Holtgrave  
WIB Secretary Treasurer