



Region 6 Works Council

MEETING AGENDA

October 15, 2015

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**New Castle Chrysler High School
801 Parkview Drive New Castle
New Castle, IN**

- I. Call to Order and Welcome
Bonnie Willey chaired the meeting on behalf of Mike Wickersham, who is on vacation. The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m.

- II. Roll Call
Members: Tim Conley, Mike Row, Greg Hinshaw, Jeremy Gulley, Bonnie Willey
Guests: Carolyn Bunsenbill, Robert Hobbs, Ben Hebbe, Kevin Keller, Dan Devers, Jennifer O'Shea and Chil Elmore

Robert Hobbs welcomed the group to the New Castle Chrysler High School and gave an overview of the career center programs.

- III. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes from September meeting
They were not able to establish quorum to approve minutes from September.

- IV. Indiana Kentucky Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters (IKORCC)
Apprenticeship Program, Chill Elmore
Chill Elmore shared details about the IKORCC Apprenticeship Program. The program is four years in length and open to applicants that are at least 17 years old and have a high school diploma or GED.
They have a number of articulation agreements with schools around the state. This allows a recent graduate to immediately enter the apprenticeship program in year one, as opposed to entering as a journeyman.
At the end of the program students receive an Associate Degree from Ivy Tech.

- V. Skill UP Indiana! Applicants
Mike Row, Alliance for Strategic Growth

Ben Hebbe, Conexus

Mike Row shared that the LEDO council has convened a meeting to discuss planning for the Skill UP grant. They are working with employers, educators and other community partners to put together a plan. They are currently looking to first gain a better understanding of what employers need and capture better real-time data. They will then determine what needs to be done to address those needs.

The group discussed the various ways that they could address industry need for purposes of this grant application.

Ben Hebbe of Conexus shared information about the internship program that Conexus created and successfully ran this past summer in Regions 4 and 5. They are proposing that Conexus could scale this program and partner with Region 6 for purposes of the Skill UP initiative.

VI. Updates on Action Plan, Jeremy Gulley

Jeremy Gulley shared that the Action Plan is now a google document, which is a shareable document. He is asking the council members to contribute to the document.

VII. Other Business

There were questions about the status of the awareness grant and the associated video. It was determined that we need to reach out to Nicole Stitt to get the final report and video. We will invite her to present at the November meeting.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:39 p.m.