

New River/Mount Rogers Workforce Investment Area Consortium Board

MEETING MINUTES

September 21, 2011

A meeting of the NR/MR WIA Consortium Board was held on September 21, 2011 at Bristol Compressors in Bristol, VA. Those in attendance were as follows:

Council Members

David Hutchins- Chair
Jim Heaney – Bristol
Mike Maynard - Grayson
Ranny Akers - Pulaski
Charlie Clark - Smyth
Odell Owens - Washington
Bucky Sharitz - Wythe

Staff

Ronnie Martin
Marty Holliday

Guest

Martha Samples – WIB Chair
Linda Matthews- Goodwill Ind. of the Valleys
Mary Ann Gilmer – Goodwill Ind. of the Valleys
Clay Stein – Goodwill Ind. of the Valleys
Betty Rowe – People, Inc.
Jim Coen – Goodwill Ind. of the Valleys
Becky Cox – Virginia Community College Sys.

At 10:10AM, Chairman Hutchins called the meeting to order.

The meeting was opened with a prayer and all present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Heaney welcomed everyone to Bristol Compressors.

Chairman Hutchins asked Ms. Holliday to call the roll. A quorum was present

Mr. Maynard made the motion to approve items on the Consent Agenda. Mr. Clark seconded the motion and a called vote was taken:

Bristol – yes, Carroll – yes, Grayson - yes, Pulaski –yes, Smyth – yes, Washington – yes, Wythe – yes

Chairman Hutchins opened the floor for public comment. Ms. Matthews thanked Mr. Stein for agreeing to drive the van to bring staff and Board Members down to Bristol.

Chairman Hutchins asked Ms. Samples to give a WIB update. Ms. Samples brought the Board up-to-date on WIB activities and correspondence that had taken place in recent months. A brief discussion followed.

Chairman Hutchins asked Mr. Martin to give an Executive Summary. Mr. Martin gave an overview of program activities, budget and funding issues. A brief discussion followed.

Chairman Hutchins reminded the members that the Informational Items had been previously sent out, and would not be presented unless there were any specific questions the members wanted to ask about them.

Ms. Holliday gave a brief update on the proposed Skills Gap Survey project. A discussion followed on the need of the project and how best to proceed. Ms. Holliday will continue to explore the need for this project and possible funding sources.

Mr. Martin gave an overview of the possible need for an RFP to be issued for PY'12 service delivery and the procurement process. A brief discussion followed and it was determined that the Consortium Board will defer to the WIB's One-Stop Committee for a recommendation on how to proceed.

Mr. Martin reminded the members about the Travel Reimbursement request form to be completed and signed if members wanted to get reimbursed for their travel to the meeting.

Chairman Hutchins reminded the members that the next meeting would be a joint meeting with the WIB on December 7, 2011 beginning 10:00AM with a buffet lunch to follow.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:12AM. A tour of Bristol Compressors followed the meeting. After the tour, the members, staff and guest went to Heartwood in Abingdon for lunch and a tour of that facility.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marty Holliday

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