



## **Region 10 Works Council**

### **Minutes**

**Wednesday, April 27, 2016**

**3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Prosser Career Education Center  
4202 Charlestown Rd  
New Albany, IN 47150**

- I. Paul Perkins called the meeting to order.
- II. Members signed in.
- III. Andrew Melin made a motion to approve the minutes from March. Alan Taylor seconded the motion, which carried.
- IV. SkillUp Grant Round 2: There was discussion on scaling down the grant proposal and making it multi-sector. Andrew Melin suggested engaging Prosser and South Harrison, and connecting to businesses. Joe Pearson mentioned the Scott County grant that was not funded in Round 1. He said they needed more infrastructure before the grant application and more sustainability and focus. Andrew Melin said we need to revisit workforce needs. There was discussion on how to connect to something already established and expand it out. Ron McKulick said CNC, Industrial Maintenance, and Welding were skill needs in Region 10. Ron McKulick will look more closely at which industry sector is in most need. Alan Taylor suggested the next elevation could be the Ford program model for high schools for pathways. They could implement courses in elementary, middle, and high school to make students more aware of careers. Andrew Melin considered project-based learning and collaborations among teachers, using train-the-trainer models, and making learning more engaging. Other models, examples, and possibilities were brought up by Joe Pearson, Justin Westmoreland, Alan Taylor, and Bob Ownings, such as 1150 Academy, NewTech, Healthcare, CDL, Manufacturing, and Logistics. The statewide webinar for Skill Up Round 2 is on Monday, May 2. More information is on the DWD website.
- V. R10 Works Council Action Plan Progress/ Discussion, John Dattilo and Michael Denny  
John Dattilo reported that all 7 counties have been impacted by the externships. The job shadowing results are good. Board members were invited to attend a workshop on employability skills this Friday from 11:30 to 12:30 at Prosser. 100 students will be involved. On May 13, mock interviews involving 80 businesses and 500 students will be held at Prosser Career Education Center. 98% of the students have a resume and will attend the mock interview with both the resume and a portfolio.

John Dattilo presented a video on manufacturing at Prosser.

Michael Denny, Greater Clark County Schools, said 530 Work Ethics certificates will be presented this year. They have 2 sets of benchmarks. The goal was to have at least 570 participants and they have over 700 participants. The main reason students are not meeting the goals is attendance. The students must have a 98% attendance rate. Elementary is at 33 and 41 % of the middle schools are in. Digital displays are being shown and more than 50 business partners are listed on those. The video displays will help students gain an interest in the businesses. Greater Clark is helping other schools initiate Work Ethics certifications.

Greater Clark administers WorkKeys, and 77% earned the NCRC National Career Readiness Certificate.

Alan Taylor asked if the certificates should be standardized, since Governor Pence will sign the certificates that follow the GCS model. It was decided that GCS will make a certificate template so they all look alike.

VI. The meeting was adjourned by Chair Paul Perkins.

**Future Meeting Dates** May 25, Jun 22, Jul 27, Aug 24, Sep 28, Oct 26, Nov 16, Dec 21.