

## Region 4 Minutes – Feb 3, 2016

- I. Call to Order – Chair, Brad Rhorer
  
- II. Roll Call  
Members present: Doug Mansfield, Andrew Ball, Michelle Simmons, Jeff Hauswald, Pam Rager, Steve Shelby.  
Guests: Deb Waymire, Cathy Rowe, David Brettnacher, James Little, James Stradling, Miranda Hutchinson and Jennifer O’Shea
  
- III. Approval of Minutes Dec 7, 2016 – did not occur because of lack of quorum
  
- IV. Return and Complete Program – Commission on Higher Education  
“You Can Go Back” –College completion program sponsored by the State of Indiana to achieve a better educated workforce for Indiana. Program encourages Hoosiers who have attended a post-secondary institution but did not achieve a certificate or degree, to return to finish. Move from 35% of Hoosier having a post-secondary credential (i.e. Certificate, AS, BS degree), to 60%, by 2020. 200,000 potential Indiana citizens. Financial assistance available. Planned kick-off announcement mid – Feb 2016
  
- V. Career Success Initiative
  - Marion County collaboration of Indianapolis Public Schools/surrounding school systems, with local industry to provide career opportunities in the future.
  - Local industry, through JA JobSpark program ([jajobspark.org](http://jajobspark.org)), in classrooms, with students 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade to:
    - Connect students 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade with learning opportunities for career knowledge through classroom experiences with industry for the future.
    - Expose career pathways for in-demand jobs as determined by industry partners.
    - Empower students to connect their own interests with a wide of set of career opportunities.
  
- VI. Tri County Logistics/Warehousing Program
  - Unique program. Only certified HS logistics program in Indiana
  
- VII. Indian Trails Career Co-Op - Jim Stradling
  - Solid CTE programs in Central Indiana
  
- VIII. Open Group Discussion - Employer Issues
  - Critical industry need, find employees with "teaming" skills
  - CTE students and students with farm background above average employees
  
- IX. Meeting Adjourned