



Meeting Minutes – Workforce Working Group

Date: July 12, 2016

Time: 11 AM – 12:30 PM

Location: Prior Lake City Hall – Parkview Conference

Work Group Members:

Michelle Choudek (Chair)	X	Dave Lund	X	Patricia Timmons	X
Darren Kermes (Chair)	X	Kathryn Reeder		Tanya Velishek	
Mike Beard	X	Marjee Righeimer		Angie Whitcomb	
Victor Bonett	X	Annie Sheehan-Kerber	X	Tim Wynes	X
Todd Leech		Nick Slavik	X		

Staff Members:

Stacy Crakes	X	Mark Jacobs	X	Jean Sinell	X
Barb Dahl	X				

Guests:

Jerry Brua	X	Tim O’Neill	X		
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Introductions:

- Attendees provided introductions.
- Michelle Choudek and Darren Kermes are co-chairs for the work group.

Review of Live, Learn, Earn Website:

- Groups – Steering Committee, Housing, Workforce Readiness, Educational Preparedness and Transportation
- Documents – Collective Impact Presentation, Retreat Summary, forms, data, Group agendas & minutes.

Scott County is a place where people are stable, connected, educated, and contributing

Meeting Minutes from Other Working Groups:

- Minutes from the other committees were distributed & reviewed.
- Committee minutes will be shared so members can review them prior to each meeting.

Data Update – Tim O’Neill:

- In Demand Jobs in Scott County
- In Demand Industries in Scott County
- Labor Force Participation Data
- Scott County Quarterly WorkForce Indicators
- Reports have been uploaded to the website.
- Tim will prepare a Scott County profile for the next meeting.

Data Update – Veterans:

- Jerry Brua, Director of Veterans Service for Scott County provided an overview of services. Most veterans are seeking information on education, medical care and disability benefits from his office. He refers veterans to the Workforce Center for job assistance.
- Barb Dahl presented information on veterans served in eligibility based Employment & Training Programs. Discussion followed on the small number of veterans seeking employment assistance.

Population Discussion – Local Conditions for Identified Populations:

- The group agreed that the Veteran group is too small for first focus by this group.
- Explore data on young adult group (dropout rates, do graduates stay in the county or leave?, possibly sample Valleyfair workers with a short survey)
- Employer Needs? Survey data available?
- Impact on retirees leaving the workforce was discussed.
- Emerging industries – Tim O’Neill will gather data for next meeting.
- Business and professional level job recruitment was discussed.

Brainstorm Solutions:

- Revisit Mission and focus for the group’s work
- Gather additional data.

Next meeting: Tuesday, August 9, 11:00 to 12:30 at the Prior Lake City Hall, 4646 Dakota Street S.E., Prior Lake