

Talent Pipeline Committee
Lake County Workforce Development Board
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 17, 2018, 9:00 A.M.
Job Center of Lake County, 1 N. Genesee Street, Waukegan, IL

Present: Lamar Black, Jennifer Everett, Kristi Long, Laura Naselli, Monika Schwander, Jennifer Serino

Absent: Chairwoman Chris Hammerlund, Kurt Beier, Lorenzo Bess, Greg Burns, Germain Castellanos, Tim Kirschner, Gina Schuyler

I. Call to Order

Member Serino called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
A quorum was not present.

II. Approval of Minutes – December 20, 2017 Minutes

[\(Attachment A\)](#)

Action: Action could not be taken since a quorum was not present.

III. Public Comment

None.

IV. Chairwoman’s Report

Member Serino notified Committee members that Laura Naselli from Lake County Partners is now a member of the Talent Pipeline Committee.

Member Serino announced that the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity released two Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFO): Illinois Talent Pipeline Program and WIOA Statewide Workforce Innovation Program. There will be an informational webinar on January 25, 2018 at 2 PM (CST) for the Talent Pipeline Program NOFO. Entities interested in submitting a grant application, please notify Member Serino.

V. Old Business

None.

VI. New Business

1. Goodwill Industries International, Inc. presentation

Ericka Monson from Goodwill Great Lakes provided a presentation on the AbilityOne Program.

2. Discuss Talent Pipeline Committee report to LCWDB

- LCWDB Strategic Plan

[\(Attachment B\)](#)

- LCWDB Strategic Plan Dashboard

[\(Attachment C\)](#)

Member Serino noted that each standing Committee will deliver a report to the full Board at one of the five Board meetings scheduled in 2018. The report will detail progress that the Committee has made against the Board’s strategic plan. The Talent Pipeline Committee’s report will be delivered at the next Board meeting on February 22, 2018. Committee members reviewed and endorsed plans for the Committee presentation, including: a panel discussion highlighting programs that serve vulnerable populations, a PowerPoint presentation to be delivered by Chairwoman Hammerlund, and a graphical representation of progress made for each project for which the Committee is responsible.

VII. Talent Pipeline Committee Strategic Plan

1. Expand Career Awareness Programs

- Update from Workforce Development and Ecosystem Partners

Members Everett and Naselli provided an update on the work that Lake County Partners and the Workforce Development Department—along with other Ecosystem partners—are doing at local school districts in Lake County to increase career awareness among students. Member Naselli provided dates of spring events.

2. Increase Internships

- Task Force meeting to be scheduled in February, 2018

Board Staff Mandi Freeman will schedule the next Internship Task Force meeting for February, 2018.

3. Explore Apprenticeship Models

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4. Prepare Vulnerable Populations for Success

- WIOA Youth Service RFP
 - Issue Date: November 27, 2017
 - Submission Date: January 25, 2018

The WIOA Youth Service RFP Task Force will review proposals in January and February once the submission date closes.

VIII. Board and Committee Member Engagement

1. Optional tour of the Job Center following committee meeting

Committee members were invited to tour the Job Center of Lake County.

IX. Upcoming Board & Committee Meetings

1. Workforce Development Board Meeting – February 22, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.

Board Staff Mandi Freeman will provide notice of the meeting location on February 1, 2018.

2. Talent Pipeline Committee Meeting – March 21, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

The Talent Pipeline Committee will meet on March 21, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

X. Adjournment

Member Serino adjourned the meeting at 10:14 a.m.