



**West Central Wisconsin
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD,
COUNTY BOARDS' CONSORTIUM
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, December 7, 2017 held at
Off Broadway Banquet Center, Menomonie, WI**

Minutes

Consortium Present: Ben Plunkett, Roger Larson, Colleen Bates, Larry Jepsen, Joe Waichulis, Anson Albarado and Diane Morehouse.

WDB Members Present: Sharon Masek, Peter Kaz, Patti Audorff, Lisa Fiore, Jessica Bierman, Jim Tiedke, Kevin Larson, Steve Osero, Betty Laskowski, Jake Steivang, Russell Boos, John Will, Tom Huffcutt, Elizabeth Hart, Lynn Nelson, Peter Kilde, Steve Blodgett, Deb Leslie, Scott Hodek (By phone conference call: Alison Paige). WDB Staff: Jon Menz and Toni Oas

Others present: Aaron Sarbacker, DWD; Vincent Rice, Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards & Darla Burton, DWD;

WRI: Kathy Talford, Jessica Earp, M. Stendahl, Richard Price, Bambi Penning; Mary Ann Pebler - WITC

1. Meeting was called to order.
2. Review and action previous minutes of October 20, 2017.

WDB Consortium Action:

Motion was made by Osero, 2nd by Steivang to approve minutes of October 20, 2017. Motion passed.

Consortium Action:

Motion was made by Waichulis, 2nd by Albarado to approve minutes of October 20, 2017. Plunkett abstained from vote. Motion passed.

3. Action on WDB Board and Youth Committee Appointments/Reappointments (Consortium/WDB)

a. Seating of any new members (WDB) -

There were no new members to be seated. No action.

b. Acknowledgement of Outgoing or Transitioning Members

No action, no outgoing members or transitioning members.

4. WDB Action on Workforce Development Board Slate of Officers

a. Slate of Officers the Workforce Development Board Slate of Officers for 2018: Kevin Larson, Chair; Steve Osero, Vice Chair; Betty Laskowski, Secretary/Treasurer; Past Chair Alison Page

WDB Action: Motion by Chair Kevin Larson to appoint the 2018 slate of officers as presented, 2nd by Huffcutt. Motion passed.

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5. Discussion on WITC Grant Funding WIOA Title II
 1. WITC Corrections to Careers
 2. WITC and Consortium Partners Comprehensive Adult Basic Education
 3. WITC Rural Poverty Transitions to Careers

WDB Action:

Motion by Kilde, 2nd by Kaz to support grant recommendation and or approval or signatures by either the Exec Committee or the Executive Director of the WDB.

6. Presentation/Action on 2016-17 Annual Report

The 2016-17 Annual Report was presented with some discussion.

WDB Action: Motion by Kilde, 2nd by Osero to approve 2016-17 Annual Report as presented. Motion passed.

Consortium Action:

Motion by Morehouse and 2nd by Albarado to approve 2016-17 Annual Report as presented. Motion passed.

7. Adoption of Calendar and meeting Plan for 2018 – (discussion/action WDB/Consortium)

WDB Action:

Motion to adopt 2018 Meeting calendar as presented by Huffcutt, 2nd by Osero. Motion passed.

Consortium Action:

Motion to adopt 2018 Meeting calendar as presented by Morehouse, 2nd by Anson. Motion passed.

8. Annual Meeting Program
 1. 2017 in Review – 2017 WDB Chair Kevin Larson
 - i. K. Larson highlighted 2017 thanking all in attendance for their time and dedication to workforce development efforts in this region; and thanking those serving on the board.
 2. Current Activity Update
 - i. Updates on Business Services throughout our region presented by WRI staff Jessica Earp and Michaela Stendahl.
 3. DWD Office of Economic Advisors, Scott Hodek spoke about the economic regional environment and labor market.

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4. Guest Speaker – Division of Employment and Training – Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards, Vincent Rice spoke on Apprenticeship and provided a handout. Darla Burton, Youth Apprenticeship spoke into Youth Apprenticeship resources and happenings.
 5. 2018 Connecting the Dots - Colleen Bates, Consortium Chair spoke into the important work of the Boards and the partners in our region and the importance of collaboration.
9. Adjournment
With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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