

**Workforce Development
Committee meeting
September 21st 2011**

PRESENT: Kyle Erickson, Paula Frings, Mary Kosak, Lisa Randall, Jessica Knutson, Michelle Ufford, Bobbie Kleffman, Rick Kangas

STAFF: Kerry Larsen & Bud Stone

Kyle Erickson called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 2011 MINUTES:

Mary Kosak made a motion to accept the August 2011 minutes; Kyle Erickson seconded; Motion carried

ACTION: No further action is needed

ICC CAREER FAIR:

Bobbie Kleffman Rick Kangas updated the committee on the Itasca Community College Career Fair. Bobbie would like the career fair to be one of the partnerships with the Chamber's WFD Committee for 2012. This being possibly included in the Mission and Goals. Bud mentioned this is a great time to discuss this. At the October meeting the goals and missions will be discussed.

ACTION: The ICC Career Fair, (Career Day), will be discussed as part of the 2012 goals and mission.

OHIO TRIP:

Mary Kosak spoke about the Student Success Core Team trip to Ohio to investigate the STRIVE initiative in place there. Paul Undeland with MN Power was scheduled to give a "business view" up-date, but was unable to attend today's meeting.

ACTION: No further action is needed

BOLD EXCHANGES:

Paula updated the WFD Committee on the progress of the "Straight Talk" initiative. Plans are to start meetings with businesses and educators this fall.

ACTION: No further action is needed

IASC:

No up-date on IASC priorities was available for this meeting.

ACTION: No further action is needed

OTHER UP-DATES:

- Grand Works - Lisa Randall
- Tech Math Class- Bobbie Kleffman
- Taking Care of Business –Kerry Larsen
- Workforce Development Initiative –Paula Frings
- Teen Works – Paula Frings
- ICW- Bud and Paula

ACTION: No further action is needed.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be October 19th 2011 at 12:00 p.m. in the Chamber Conference Room. This meeting will be dedicated to the 2012 Goals and Missions.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Submitted by Kerry Larsen, Membership & Tourism CoordinatOR