

Workforce Development - August 19th 2009

PRESENT: Marla Beaty, Paula Frings, Margie Ritter, Connie Swanson, Megan Christianson, Mary Witte, Tami Paulson, Jaci David, Kyle Erickson, Jim Whoerle, Bobbie Kleffman, Lisa Randall, Mary Krumrei

STAFF: Kerry Larsen & Bud Stone

Megan Christianson called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

June 2009 MINUTES:

Margie Ritter made a motion to approve the June 2009 Minutes; Mary Witte seconded; motion carried.

ACTION: No further action is needed.

INTRODUCTION:

The committee members took a few minutes to introduce themselves to the group.

ACTION: No further action is needed

PROJECT READ – JACI DAVID:

Jaci David visited with the Committee and updated the members on a Project Read Community Summit Tuesday, September 29th 2009, 4 – 6 pm at Blandin Foundation Auditorium. Keynote Speaker will be Kate Horst from Minnesota Early Literacy Project. Jaci encouraged all committee members to attend this Summit. Jaci also commented on how Project Read would like to become more active and have more of a presence in the community.

ACTION: No further action is needed.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION:

The committee members had many discussions and updates during this meeting. Conversations included

- Future Workers
- CEO's in the schools
- Job Skills Survey – 122 respondents
- October Chamber luncheon is Workforce Dev. Committee
- Grand Works
- Washington Trip Bud & Paula
- START program
- Iron Range Resource grant program

ACTION: No further action is needed.

CUSTOMER SERVICE AWARD:

Bobbie Kleffman and Lisa Randall updated the committee on the Customer Service Award. Bobbie and Lisa have been working on different ideas regarding the process of the Customer Service Award.

ACTION: No further action is needed.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be September 16th 2009 at 12:00 p.m./Chamber Conference Room. **Reminder: No July meeting**

MEETING ADJOURNED

Submitted by Kerry Larsen, Membership & Tourism Coordinator