

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

Tony Naylor welcomed attendees, asked for self-introductions, and called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

**2. Changing of the Guards**

Keith Lawing announced that Kelly Bergeron will be transitioning to staffing the Regional Economic Area Partnership (REAP) full time, and Katie Givens, Vice President of Community Relations, will take over the staffing of the Local Workforce Investment Board (LWIB) and its Committees. Naylor thanked Bergeron for her service to the Workforce Alliance.

**3. Approval of Minutes from April 9, 2014 and June 12, 2014**

*John Weber (Mike Magennis) moved to approve the minutes from April 9 and June 12, 2014, as written. Motion adopted.*

**4. Butler Workforce Center Update**

Chad Pettera reported that construction at the new Butler Workforce Center located in El Dorado is scheduled to begin soon. Floor plans have been approved and are under review by the City of El Dorado. The finishes have been selected and ordered. The Butler Center will be designed to coordinate with the new Wichita Workforce Center. The schedule is for work to be complete and the Center move in ready by mid-December with a grand opening scheduled for after the first of the year. Butler Community College staff was asked to consider how WA might partner with their programs when the new Center is open, since WA is no longer co-located with the College.

*The report was received and filed.*

**5. 2014 Youth Employment Initiative**

Stacy Cotton, Youth Program Director, briefed the Committee on the handout report of the outcomes of the 2014 Youth Employment Initiative. The WA set a goal of placing 70 youths in employment over the summer of 2014. These goals were a reduction from 2013 primarily due to budget constraints. In 2014 WA had 118 interested youths and placed 70 of those participants. Fifty-eight participants were able to secure employment on their own without the assistance of WA. Of the 70 placements by WA, 65 were funded from WIA funds; five were funded through non-WIA funds, such as those raised during the golf tournament. Additional details from the 2014 initiative are included in the handout.

*The report was received and filed.*

**6. Additions to Eligible Training Provider List**

The Carpenters Training Center located on East Kellogg in Wichita has applied to be an Eligible Training Provider (ETP) for the Construction Apprenticeship Program. The program is based out of St. Louis and is nationally accredited. They are not accredited through the State of Kansas' Registered Apprenticeship Program. Executive Committee members requested staff work with the Kansas Registered Apprenticeship office to check on the status of the program's state accreditation and resubmit the ETP request to the WIA Oversight Committee for consideration.

WIA regulations indicate that Registered Apprenticeships must be either federally or state recognized. The St. Louis Carpenters Joint Apprenticeship Program who operate the Training Center in Wichita is federally accredited. A site visit to the Training Center was conducted by WA staff in August 2014; currently Midwest Drywall is the only employer partner. Staff will continue to monitor the training program to include satisfaction surveys and site visits.

*Jim Means (John Weber) moved to approve the addition to the ETP list as presented. Motion adopted.*

### 7. On the Job Training Contract

Amanda Duncan presented a request for iSi Environmental for addition to the Eligible Training Provider list for On the Job Training (OJT). iSi is planning to hire for Paint Booth Maintenance Technicians, E-Team Technicians, and Remediation Services Laborers. Starting pay is \$12-\$15 per hour. iSi anticipates hiring more than 50 new employees throughout 2015.

*John Weber (Michelle Rucker) moved to approve the addition of iSi Environmental to the eligible training provider list for On the Job Training. Motion adopted.*

### 8. Consent Agenda

- Staff discussed WIA/WP Performance, gave an update on workforce center operations, including an overview of workforce center traffic.
- Amanda Duncan reviewed the business service report included in the packet.
- Chad Pettera reviewed the financial report, noting that WA is struggling to find Dislocated Workers to enroll.
- Bergeron reported that the 2015 Jobs For Youth Golf Tournament is scheduled for April 24, 2015 at Hidden Lakes Golf Course in Derby. Keith Lawing noted the goal is to raise \$20,000 for Youth Employment.
- Katie Givens noted the tentative 2015 meeting schedule for the Committee was included in the packet. The Committee will continue to meet every other month on Wednesdays from 11:30-1:00. If there is no business for the Committee the meeting will be cancelled.

*The Committee received and filed the Consent Agenda.*

### 9. Unscheduled Topics: WIA Oversight Committee Members

Katie Givens reminded the Committee that their next meeting is scheduled for December 10, 2014 at 11:30 a.m. at the Wichita Workforce Center. Keith Lawing noted that may be a good opportunity to review the latest information on WIOA including changes to the programs and operations that the law will impact.

### 10. Adjourn

Naylor adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

#### Attendance

##### Committee Members:

Tony Naylor, WEJATC, Chair (YC)  
Michael Magennis, Plumbers & Pipefitters (YC)  
Jim Means, USD 259 (YC)  
Sarah Robinson, Wichita Children's Home (YC)  
Michelle Rucker, City of Wichita Housing Services (YC)  
John Weber, Greater Wichita YMCA (YC)

##### Guests:

Michelle Ruder, Butler Community College  
Jon Cressler, Butler Community College

##### Staff:

Kelly Bergeron, WA  
Amanda Duncan, WA  
Katie Givens, WA  
Denise Houston, WA  
Keith Lawing, WA  
Chad Pettera, WA  
Brian Schintgen, WA  
Stacy Cotten, WA  
Angie Duntz, WA

*Members noted with (YC) following their name serve as representatives of the WIA mandated Youth Council.*

*NOTE: All staff handouts referenced in these minutes are maintained in the master meeting file at the Workforce Alliance office and are available upon request.*