



WIB Manufacturing Committee Meeting
June 10, 2015

MINUTES

Meeting Attendees

Committee Members

Bill Pratt*
Gregory Liu
Alex Rivera*
Marybeth Jacobsen
Byron Lindros
Larry McLaughlin

WIB Staff

Talia Barrera
Cheryl Moore

Guests

Ken Goss (MWS Wire Industries)
Hillary Howard (VC Innovates)
Lisa Eklund (VC Innovates)
Wendy Tafton (VC Innovates)
Mary Anne Rooney (Alliance for Linked Learning)

**WIB Members*

1.0 Call to Order and Agenda Review

Chair Bill Pratt called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m. No changes were made to the agenda.

2.0 Public Comments

No public comments

3.0 Committee Chair Comments

No comments.

4.0 Approval of Minutes: April 8, 2015

Motion to approve: Alex Rivera
Second: Marybeth Jacobsen
Motion approved

5.0 Ventura County Regional Strategic Workforce Development Plan

• Manufacturing Roundtable of Ventura County (MRVC)

Byron Lindros reported on the on the MRVC event that was hosted at Amgen on April 23, 2015. Among the approximately 24 guests were local manufacturers who were new to the group. Amgen representatives made a presentation on Improving Manufacturing Operations Using Lean Six Sigma. Other topics covered were California tax incentives, the Advanced Manufacturing Partnership of Southern California, and the Biomedical Device Technology Certificate. One of the goals of MRVC is to continue reaching out to local businesses and engage in discussions for process improvement and networking. Mr. Lindros announced that there will be an MRVC Manufacturing Network event in the month of July 2015, hosted by Bill Pratt at Kinamed, Inc.

• Advanced Manufacturing Partnership for Southern California (AMP SoCal)

Bill Pratt Provided an update on the AMP SoCal Research and Innovation Committee. California State University, Northridge is leading a project and working with California State University Pomona and California State University, Los Angeles to apply for grants to build an industry research center. More information will be provided at the next meeting.

- Deputy Sector Navigator: Manufacturing Update

Larry McLaughlin Larry reported on the community college regional study which will gather data directly from employers to determine what manufacturing jobs are in demand, and proximity to local schools, in different regions of the state. A taskforce from industry will be established to identify occupations and connect education and training. He will continue to provide updates as the project develops and might seek input from committee members.

Mr. McLaughlin also commented on an augmentation to the Deputy Sector Navigator grant, and other grants available, which will help teachers to develop curriculum or obtain new equipment in robotics manufacturing and 3D printing manufacturing. He noted that the latest round of Career Pathways Trust Grants included \$5.5 million for College of the Canyons, to include middle schools, high schools and community colleges in developing advanced manufacturing career pathways.

- Career Pathways

Wendy Trafton requested feedback from committee members and guests on an initial draft of the Manufacturing and Engineering Career Pathways Career Ladder Chart, developed by VC *Innovates*. The discussion generated insightful recommendations on how the charts could more accurately reflect manufacturing jobs and career pathways. Some of the suggestions for addition or expansion related to production, maintenance and facilities, engineering, quality assurance, regulatory affairs, and supply chain positions. Committee members will continue to provide feedback and receive updates from VC *Innovates* as the development of manufacturing-related career ladders progresses.

6.0 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act: July 1, 2015

Cheryl Moore commented on the new Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). WIOA will focus on aligning federal and state workforce development programs and support services with sector, regional, economic development and training and education initiatives. Among the changes when WIOA takes effect on July 1, 2015, will be a transition from the current Workforce Investment Board (WIB) to the new Workforce Development Board (WDB) designation.

7.0 Manufacturing Committee 2015-2016 Meeting Calendar

Committee members discussed future dates and times for the meeting in PY 2015-2016, and agreed to continue on a bi-monthly basis, the second Wednesday of the month, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

8.0 Committee Member Comments

No comments

9.0 Adjournment

Bill Pratt adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Next Meeting

August 12, 2015 (8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.)
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