



**Illinois Workforce Innovation Board**  
**Joint Meeting: Career Pathways for Targeted Populations Committee and Illinois Workforce**  
**Partnership**  
**Crowne Plaza, Springfield**  
**September 12, 2019**

**MINUTES**

**Members In Attendance:**

Michelle Cerutti  
Dean Dittmar  
Mollie Dowling  
Susan Flessner  
Jennifer Foster  
Laura Furlong  
Aimee Julian  
Mark Lohman  
Todd Lowery  
Marci Johnson  
Pat Maher  
Alicia Martin  
Greg Martinez  
Mike Massie  
Kathy Nicholson-Tosh  
Margi Schiemann  
Michelle Scott-Terven  
Rick Stubblefield  
Whitney Thompson  
Marie Trzupek Lynch  
Tom Wendorf  
Lois Wood

IWP  
Illinois Agricultural Education  
OAI  
Workforce Services Division of Will County  
ICCB  
MarcFirst  
ISU  
American Job Center  
IDES  
Illinois State Board of Education  
SPR Consulting  
Associated Builders & Contractors, Inc.  
Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership  
Massie & Quick, LLC  
KNT Consulting  
Nicor Gas  
DHS/DRS  
St. Clair County  
Illinois Community College Board  
Skills for Chicagoland's Future  
DuPage Impact LLC  
Land of Lincoln Legal Services

**Others in Attendance:**

Paula Barry  
Candace Flatt  
Jon Furr  
Lisa Jones  
Mary Ann Merano  
Diana Robinson

DCEO  
IDES  
Northern Illinois University/Education Systems Centers  
Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity  
Northern Illinois University/Center for Governmental Studies  
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Patti Schnoor

DCEO

**Regrets:**

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| Brian Durham         | Illinois Community College Board           |
| Pat Fabijanski       | Hyatt Regency – McCormick Place            |
| David Friedman       | AutonomyWorks                              |
| Quinetta Grant       | Illinois Department of Human Services      |
| Steve Gold           | 160 Driving Academy                        |
| Alicia Martin        | Associated Builders & Contractors, Inc.    |
| Angela Mason         | Chicago Botanic Garden                     |
| Amrit Mehra          | Thrive Chicago                             |
| Susan Olavarria      | ComEd                                      |
| Joe Seliga           | Mayer Brown                                |
| Tyler Strom          | FARMIllinois                               |
| Nina Tangman         | Illinois Board of Higher Education         |
| Senator Chuck Weaver | Illinois Senate, 37 <sup>th</sup> District |
| Terry Wilkerson      | Rend Lake College                          |

**Welcome and Introductions**

Mike Massie, Co-Chair, welcomed the members and attendees to the meeting. This meeting was conducted via an alternate format as the committee invited members of the Illinois Workforce Partnership to jointly discuss select agenda items.

**Apprenticeships**

Jennifer Foster ICCB presented an overview of the recently awarded DOL Apprenticeship grant which will be used to expand apprenticeship offerings in the Information Technology sector. Ten partner colleges will work with the ICCB to develop or expand a Customized Apprenticeship Program-Information Technology (CAP-IT) Model for 1,600 program participants over four years..

**WIOA Performance System Overview**

Paula Barry and Patti Schnoor DCEO discussed the WIOA accountability requirements and measures constructed for Illinois as developed by a team of the core partners. They presented a comprehensive powerpoint presentation detailing current measures for employment, wages, credentials, and skills gains. They are piloting possible approaches to a measure regarding serving employers.

**Regional Labor Market Information Profiles**

Candace Flatt IDES unveiled the new Regional Labor Market Information Profiles and the dashboard which includes data on population, commuting, employment and unemployment for LWIA and EDR geographies. She is providing a pdf for each LWIA of the full content.

**IWIB and LWIB Career Pathway Lens**

The final agenda item for the joint meeting, facilitated by co-chair Mike Massie and Michelle Cerutti, focused on partnerships with LWIBs and their sector representatives and using a customer-centered approach to engage all in impacting pathway initiatives.

#### **Queries for Awardee Interviews**

Susan Flessner and Tom Wendorf briefed the group on a possible line of discussion to be used during the luncheon to engage awardees in sharing their experiences.

#### **Adoption of Minutes**

Co-Chair Massie asked for a motion to approve the draft minutes of the June 13, 2019 meeting. There was a motion to approve and the minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

#### **Careers**

The Committee meeting agenda proceeded with Marci Johnson ISBE presenting the new 'Career Guide' materials developed with career cluster-based labor market information materials for use by students, parents, and counselors. Jon Furr NIU discussed the proposed framework for aligning sector and occupational data analyses to yield priorities for interagency focus.

#### **Career Pathway Reports**

The final agenda item, facilitated by co-chair Mike Massie, focused on updates from Manufacturing by Tom Wendorf, Energy by Margie Schiemann, Agriculture by Dean Dittmar, and Returning Citizens by Mark Lohman regarding sector initiatives of mutual interest for potential collaboration and strategizing.

#### **Public Comment**

No public comment was received.

#### **Next Meeting/Adjourn**

An in-person meeting will tentatively be held on December 11 in Chicago. The meeting was adjourned.