

FULL WDB MEMBERSHIP CONFERENCE

December 3, 2018

Members Present

Les Vail, WDB Chair
Michelle Shirey, WDB Executive Director
Brian Mattei, GCIT
Tom Brown, MidAtlantic States Career & Education Ctr.
Jennifer Shaw-Knab, DVRS
Brigette Satchell, Workforce & Professional Devel. Ctr.
Lorrie Covolessky, Abilities Solutions
Theresa Rohlfig, Ctr. For Independent Living
Nick Burdick, USDOL
Stacey Smith, DVRS
Melissa Eckstein, Gateway High School
Patty Claghorn, RCGC
Denise Taguwa, NJLWD
Anthony DiFabio, Robin's Nest
Jack Fisher, Business

Michael Girone, WDB Vice Chair
Tom Bianco, GC Economic Development
Ralph Bingham, GC Library System
Andrea Rivera, DVRS
Kristen Wilson, RCGC
Tom Fletcher, Business
Bryan Miller, Abilities Solutions
Alisha Thompson, DWD
Robert DeMarco, NJLWD
Allen Magid, Workforce & Professional Devel. Ctr.
Kimberly Gober, GC Housing Authority
Danny Sulpizio, Business
Stephen Hart, DWD
Kim Alexander, GCIT

Visitor

Nicholas Toth, NJLWD
Jenn Macchione, St. John of God

Jessica Dagney, St. John of God

Les opened the meeting at 8:30 am.

Salute the Flag

Verification of quorum was made.

Reading of the Opening Public Meetings Act

A motion to approve August 15, 2018 meeting minutes was made by D. Sulpizio, seconded by B. Satchell.

Special Remarks

Freeholder Simmons expressed thanks to the Full WDB Membership for volunteering their time. RCGC has worked it 8 different businesses on workforce developing programming. The Pureland Shuttle has record ridership with over 3,000 rides in October 2018. Small Business Revolving Loan Fund has loaned out more than \$3.8 million to businesses in Gloucester County. This year Rutgers SBDC worked with 65 businesses included 28 startup businesses. NJ Grow Awards has resulted in hundreds of millions of dollars in tax credits to businesses doing capital investment in Gloucester County. In 2018, we saw close to \$34 million of investing in businesses in Logan & Glassboro, which resulted in retaining close to 300 jobs and creating 220 new jobs.

Special Presentation

Nicholas Toth, NJLWD Office of Apprenticeship provided presentation on Growing Apprenticeship in Nontraditional Sectors (GAINS). The GAINS program is to support registered apprenticeships or the expansion of existing registered apprenticeship programs. He reviewed funding and the key aspects of registered apprenticeship programs. A copy of the presentation is attached.

Announcements

Melissa Eckstein reported Gateway High School is hosting Gateway2Career Annual Career Day on Friday, December 7 at Gateway High School.

Kim Alexander reported GCIT will have information session on December 15, 2018 for 8th grade students interested in attending GCIT.

Ralph Bingham reported the GCLS continues working with MASCEC on HSE.

A motion for adjournment was made by P. Kaprielyan, seconded by A. DiFabio.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget DiGiambattista, WDB Staff