

**CAREER CONNECTIONS
EDUCATION ADVISORY GROUP
MINUTES FOR JANUARY 21, 2010**

Members Present

Owen Johnston, 1st Vice
Chair
Ron Simon
Deborah Canja
Dennis Theis
Doug Stites
Diane Allen

Glenn Bivins

Kathy Rypkema
Ralph Hansen
Dean Poggiali

Members Absent
Edith Suttles, Chair
Stan Kogut

Kim Kramer

Rosanne Renauer
Mitch Tomlinson
Tim Daman
Dale Copedge
T. C. Wallace, Jr.
Kim Root

Guests

Kate Tykocki
Brindley Byrd
Sigrid Adams
Dick Scott
Scott Miller

Meeting was called to order at 7:31 a.m. by Owen Johnston.

ITEM #1 Welcome

ITEM #2 Public Comment – None.

ITEM #3 Minutes of the July 16, 2009 and October 15, 2009 Career Connections Board Meetings
(Attachments on file)

10-01 Motion by Dean Poggiali, supported by Ron Simon, to accept the both minutes as presented.
Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #4 Adoption of Revised Bylaws

The bylaws were not approved at the October meeting because there were not enough members present for a quorum per the current bylaws. This body does not have authority to move money; it is a co-op effort in the region. There was question as to how a quorum is defined. The group agreed to remove "A MAJORITY of" in ARTICLE VII – QUORUM. It shall read, "A quorum shall consist of the Career Connections members present." (Attachment on file)

10-02 Motion by Dean Poggiali, supported by Ron Simon, to accept the bylaws with the changes noted above.
Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #5 National Career Readiness Certificates Marketing Plan

Kate Tykocki talked about the goal which is to increase employer usage; to incorporate this into this Keep Learning effort; shared campaign implementation materials; outreach campaign to employers; sample shared of collateral materials; and develop collateral materials for high school students and adults. Also want to educate those who have received the certificate. (Handout on file)

ITEM #6 Keep Learning Update

Kate Tykocki reported that the project is in Phase 2; shared concepts and explained a business pledge which is not monetary – just their support of education. (Attachment on file)

ITEM #7 Work-Based Learning Committee Report

Dick Scott reported that LCC has a new college-wide career and employment services department coming from a decision influenced by the committee. He also talked about Tech Prep.

ITEM #8 Career Technical Education Update

Ralph talked about preparing themselves for enrollment processes and struggles with enrollment and finances and plans to teach/incorporate academics in Tech Ed.

ITEM #9
Attachments

CAMW! Reports
A. Councils' Update (for informational purposes only)

Doug talked about the two new councils.

ITEM #10

YouthBuild Program

Brindley Byrd explained the program and highlights. He also provided explanation for the name change of the Capital Area Construction Council to the Michigan Construction Career Council.

ITEM #11

Other Business

Owen reported that Bekum America is looking to hire 4-5 apprentices and will be hosting an open house for educators.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.