



## MINUTES

### FVWDB Board of Directors Meeting

2:30 pm Thursday, February 15, 2012

Jones Dairy Farms Culinary Theater, Fox Valley Technical College, 1825 Bluemound Drive, Appleton, WI

*\*Due to an overnight winter storm, a quorum was not achieved.*

**Members Present:** Chair Laura Biehn, Secretary Sarah Pantol, Brad Grant, Amy Groshek, Jennifer Marks, Jose Martinez, Melina Roeder, and Debra Warga.

**Members Excused:** Vice Chair Dale Walker, Treasurer Jo Ann Hall, Immediate Past Chair Brian Kaminske, Tony Beregszazi, Dustin Delsman, Russ Haase, Jason Hendricks, Aimee Hostettler, Josh Kilgas, Rob Kleman, Amanda Kopetsky, Larry Lautenschlager, Jeff Mikorski, and Craig Wehner.

**Others Present:** Shannon Seaman – Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce; Christine Stelter – Alliance Laundry; Jennifer Dahms, Terri Green, Boe Ramsey, Brent Sanderfoot, and Anthony Snyder – FVWDB.

**Meeting Call to Order:** Chair Biehn called the Board of Directors to order at 2:35 pm.

**Self-Introductions of All Board Members:** Each attendee introduced themselves and shared some information about their employer and their role.

**Customer Facing Grant Programs, Service Delivery and Job Center:** Ms. Green, Ms. Marks, Mr. Sanderfoot, and Ms. Warga each shared information on the status of our grants and client visits to our job centers. Board members had an opportunity to ask questions.

**Lifelong Learning Experience:** Chef Jeff Igel, Chair of the Culinary Arts & Hospitality Department at Fox Valley Technical College (FVTC) presented a seminar focused on the hospitality training at FVTC, discussed possible incomes available for those embarking on culinary careers and answered questions about his experiences over 40 years of culinary education.

**Round Robin Sharing:** Ms. Biehn led a discussion of workforce issues among Board members. Mr. Anthony Snyder, speaking in his role as a Wisconsin resident and not as CEO of the FVWDB, reviewed information on the legislation that is working its way through the House and Senate chambers focused on the reauthorization of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), which will be renamed the Stronger Workforce for America Act (ASWA). The National Association of Workforce Boards (NAWB) is concerned about three provisions in the legislation, including a 50% training requirement for WIOA funds which will make necessary support payments very challenging; an increase to the Governor's Annual Set-Aside to 25% of total WIOA allocations, further reducing dollars available for use at the local level; and the ability of state governors to commence a reduction of workforce boards in the state, further reducing local service abilities. Mr. Snyder encouraged individuals with an interest in learning more to email [nawb@nawb.org](mailto:nawb@nawb.org).

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 am.

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