



NPESC's Business Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

NOECA, 219 Howard Dr. Sandusky, OH 44870
Thursday, June 13, 2024
9:30 AM

- I. Welcome & Introductions - Makenna Laser Chairman
- II. Roll Call of Members
 - a. Present: Laramie Spurlock, Jim Rinaldo, Andy Horn, Paul Lockwood, Ben Chaffee, Jeff McClellan, Makenna Laser, Andrea Smith, Rob Monak, Miriam Batke, Katherine Adams, Ashley Spangler, Beth Hannam,
 - b. Absent: Chris Singerling, Sarah Ross, Daryl Deering, Marianne Cheatham, Eileen Buhlan, Stacy Maple, Ram Veerapaneni, Ed Kurt, Angie Morelock, Eric Wobser
- III. Introduction of Visitors - David White, Greater Sandusky Partnership
- IV. Motion to approve meeting [minutes from March 7, 2024](#)
 - a. Motion by: Ben Chaffee
 - b. Second by: Paul Lockwood
 - c. Needed changes: none
 - d. All in favor. Motion carries
- V. *Correspondence, Announcements and Information:*
 - a. NWOHio Successbound Spring Conference at Terra Community College - April 26, 2024
 - i. BAC recognized with an award by NWOHio Tech Prep
 - ii. Andrea Smith was invited to provide a presentation about regional BAC initiatives and how the BAC uses YouScience & PortfoliOH and facilitate a roundtable BAC discussion with Michelle Washington from DEW.
 - b. 2024 Business Advisory Council Townhall July 15 from 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Hilton Easton-Award winning BAC's formally recognized. You can register to attend at this link: <https://web.ohioacte.org/events/ODEW-2024-Business-Advisory-Council-Townhall--5563693/details>
- VI. Old Business for Information:
 - a. Ashley Spangler shared highlights from the spring Student Boot Camps, specifically 5G
 - i. Year totals - 702 students/34 Business sites (last year = 150 students/10 sites)
 - b. Andrea Smith & Ashley Spangler shared information about Teacher Business Boot Camps 1.0 & 2.0
 - i. 1.0 Camp held June 10 - 13 in Huron, Ottawa & Sandusky Counties = 64 participants (last year = 64 participants). Erie County Camp is scheduled for August 2024

- ii. 2.0 Camps held first week of June/one day per county = 35 teachers participated (Erie = 6, Huron = 7, Ottawa = 8, Sandusky = 14)
- c. Andrea Smith reviewed the quarterly update of the [BAC Plan: Year Highlights Update](#)
- d. Jeff McClellan provided an updated on PortfoliOH – 85 lessons have been built and entered into the system. A total of 818 student activities have been entered.

VII. Committee Updates (provided by Economic Directors, Business & Education Partners):

- a. Sandusky County update - provided by Beth Hannam
 - i. Student Boot Camps were very successful this year.
 - ii. Group wants to lobby legislators to fund full time career coach positions in all schools
 - iii. Also would like to get an organized job shadow process in place that all schools in the county would implement as a follow up to student boot camps
 - iv. Group has been discussing – what is the best way to engage parents? How to we best connect with them?
- b. Ottawa County update - provided by Katherine Adams
 - i. Over 2800 job shadow hours completed by STNA & STA students
 - ii. Advanced Air Mobility w/drone pilot in August (14-16th) with 6 HS students from Ottawa & Erie Counties. All six students will earn Part 107 Commercial Drone License. Scheduled to do the first drone delivery of cargo ever to PIB on August 16th.
 - iii. Working with the Ohio Tourism Association to develop a new IRC called “Tourism IS.” Plan to launch a Tourism IS Academy in the Fall of 2025
 - iv. State has given \$1.25 million to develop a new Ottawa County Workforce Hub to hold STA, Healthcare and eventually Tourism IS academies
 - v. STA graduated 25 students (24 employed out of high school). Healthcare graduated 17 students
- c. Huron County update - provided by Ben Chaffee
 - i. Bi monthly BAC meetings continue to be held at local county business sites. This has been a promising practice
 - ii. Ben attended NW Successbound conference in April and highly recommends attendance by BAC members to future conferences
 - iii. Very excited about the changing mindset in the county and the momentum
 - iv. Kayla has created several impactful parent newsletters this year to highlight success stories and the county level opportunities of in-demand industry sectors of the county.
 - v. Changing the name of Student Boot Camps to Student Career Camps for 2024-25
- d. Erie County update - provided by Makenna Laser
 - i. Meetings for 2024-25 will be held bi-monthly instead of monthly
 - ii. Co-chairman change for 2024-25 (James Tatman, Huron City Schools & Trudy Riddle, OMJ Office_
 - iii. Teacher Boot Camp 1.0 is again scheduled for August. 15 registered
 - iv. Excited that David White will be rejoining the team of GSP. Also Jarvis Cole-Caston from Sandusky High School will be joining the Firelands Forward Team
 - v. Also, changing the name of Student Boot Camps to Student Career Camps for 2024-25

VIII. New Business:

- a. Reviewed and discussed the suggested [Goals/Strategies for 2024-25](#)

- i. Motion to accept Goals/Strategies as presented or with corrections:
 1. Motion by: Ben Chagee
 2. Second by: Katherine Adams
 3. Needed changes: none
 4. All in favor, motion carries

- b. Membership discussion for 2024-25 school year – All present members willing to stay on for the new school year. Andrea to survey those absent. Doug Crooks is retiring. Adding Carrie Sanches from NPESC and David White from GSP.

- c. Business Partners Update on your industry (Stacy Maple - Hospitality/Tourism, Andy Horn - Adv. Manufacturing, Rob Monak - Skilled Trades, Miriam Batke - Healthcare) :
 - i. *Andy Horn provided an update on co-op/internship programs. Have hired several new, young Local talent. Job shadows are a key to getting applicants.*
 - ii. *Miriam Batke shared that it will be Fisher Titus 3rd year of participation in Teacher Business Boot Camp. They love it. Eight new interns will be starting in July.*
 - iii. *Rob Monak shared work continues on the Sandusky State Theater and Amazon Distribution Center in BG. Job shadowing pipeline through Vanguard has been very successful with their recruiting efforts.*

- IX. Open Forum/Partner Updates: Consider hosting our regional meetings “on site” at our business members sites.

- X. Motion to adjourn the meeting
 - a. Motion by: Ben Chaffee
 - b. Second by: Katherine Adams
 - c. All in favor, meeting adjourned

- XI. Upcoming Meeting Schedule:
 - a. **Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at 9:30 AM at NOECA (219 Howard Drive, Sandusky)**
 - b. **Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at 9:30 AM at NOECA (219 Howard Drive, Sandusky)**
 - c. **Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at 9:30 AM at NOECA (219 Howard Drive, Sandusky)**
 - d. **Wednesday, June 18, 2025 at 9:30 AM at NOECA (219 Howard Drive, Sandusky)**