

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
8:00 A.M.**

MARCH 6, 2012

ROYAL COURT RESTAURANT

PRESENT: M. Coldren, B. Bantle, M. Stamm,
EXCUSED: C. Haynes, L. Patz, A. Pedersen, P. McKee, J. McPheeters, A. Hendrix
STAFF: J. Mattick, J. Luu

CALL TO ORDER/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Coldren called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of February 7, 2012 were deferred to the April meeting.

BOARD MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Mr. Coldren and Ms. Mattick met with Paul Levesque from Holt Architects. He is excited about being on the Board and his resume has been sent to the County for his appointment to be made. Bob Beachy from Home Depot is also happy to participate and we will be working with him to get his paperwork through the County as well.

WIB/SUPERINTENDENT'S/PRINCIPALS MEETING – FUTURE WIB MEETING AGENDA

The meeting with school superintendents and principals is scheduled for April 20, 2012 at the Ithaca County Club. The agenda is finalized and a save the date will be going out to Board members and superintendents. The menu and format for the small group activities is still being finalized.

VETERANS SEEKING SERVICES – TOMPKINS WORKFORCE

At the last Executive Committee meeting, Mr. Coldren reported on a job fair that was held in Syracuse for veterans and there were questions relating to the population of vets who are served here at the One-Stop Center. The Center currently has a full-time veterans representative who is retiring in mid-May and it is unclear how the position will be filled in the future by NYSDOL. The rep can only serve veterans and monthly reports are received on the number of vets served. One individual who was recently discharged from the military entered employment in the last quarter, but the majority of folks who are seen are from previous conflicts.

FEBRUARY 3 ITHACA JOURNAL ARTICLE – DINAPOLI

Ms. Mattick reported that she did some follow-up research on the article that appeared in the Ithaca Journal relating to the report prepared by Comptroller DiNapoli and economic trends. Both Binghamton and Ithaca continue to lose jobs over the two-year period they reported on which was December 2009-December 2011. She stated it is important to review both the last year and the last six months because the downturn hit this area later but is affecting us longer. She also noted that the losses occurred in health services and education, but that category does not include local school districts, but does include the layoffs at Cornell. She will be doing some comparisons of the last six months and last year to get a better sense of what the actual effects are.

WIA YOUTH AND SUMMER YOUTH REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Ms. Mattick reported the Office of Employment and Training was the only entity to submit a proposal for the WIA RFP. The Performance and Evaluation Committee reviewed the proposal and a letter seeking clarification on several items was sent. The Youth Employment Council will be seeking approval from the Executive Committee to award the contract at its April meeting.

The Summer Youth Employment RFP has been released with a return date of March 20, 2012. It is expected that both the Youth Employment Service and the Office of Employment and Training will be submitting proposals. The full board will be asked to approve the contracts at the April 20th meeting.

Ms. Mattick reported she has upcoming presentations to the Community Foundation and the Ithaca Youth Bureau Staff.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for April 3, 2012 at 8 a.m. at the Royal Court Restaurant.