

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Type: Full Board Regular Meeting
Date: October 13, 2015, 8:30am

Location: Bergen Community College, TEC128
Address: 400 Paramus Road, Paramus

Board Attendance:					
X	Lynn Bartlett	X	Lori Friedman		Maggie Peters
X	Maxine Becker (Gilda Escobar*)	X	Patrice Goldfarb	X	Michele Talamo
X	Steven Blumenthal		Walter Hecht		James Tedesco (Marc Schrieks)
	Mark Bocchieri	X	Jayne Jacobson		Jim Thebery
X	Robert Calocino	X	Greg Janz (Donna Todd*)		Vince Vicari
X	George Charne	X	Lorraine Joewono		Joan Voss (Tracy Zur)
	Dominick D'Agosta	X	Tedd Kochman		Kathy Walsh
X	Dr. Allan DeGiulio (Figen Tabakci*)		Shannon Lazare	X	Dr. Kaye Walter
	Etta Denk		Dr. Howard Lerner (John Susino*)		Lou Weiss
X	Martin Devaney	X	Jane Linter		Paula Wills
	Thomas Eastwick	X	Jackie Lue Raia		
X	Deborah Fredericks		Norah Peck (Sharon Rosario*)		

* Alternate/proxy member; Legend: (L) Arrived Late; (E) Left Early; (X) Present

Also in attendance:

Claire Scarano, Teaneck Women Train and Work
Estela Hensz, Bergen One-Stop
David Hollenbeck, PSE&G
Amanda Missey, Bergen Volunteer Medical Initiative
Paul Thomasset, Morgan Stanley
John Fugazzie, Neighbors Helping Neighbors/RTW

Jackie Tuney, RTW Grant
Donna Robertson, FDU
Michele Martin, Bamboo Project
Dan Ritson, Wasch & Ritson LLC
Gerri Koch, Felician College
Kim Reitmeyer, Spectrum for Living

➤ **Meeting Opening**

S. Blumenthal called the meeting to order at 8:45am. Without a quorum present, roll call and official actions were postponed. S. Blumenthal read the open public meetings act statement and led the pledge. Introductions took place.

➤ **WDB Executive Director Report.** T. Molinelli shared her thoughts from the Bergen Community College Healthcare Program tour. The Workforce Development Board is the recipient of the Project Literacy Organization of the Year Award. The WorkFirst New Jersey (WFNJ) Request for Proposal (RFP) development is starting next week. A call for volunteers went out for site visits and RFP readers. T. Molinelli was interviewed by Steve Adubato for the CaucusNJ show to explain what employers are looking for when hiring recent grads. The recommendations for new board members are expected to be officially appointed by the County Executive soon. The WDB is hiring a new staff member for the WDB Specialist position. The new hire is expected to start by the end of this month. In addition to the new hire, the Executive Committee made a recommendation to increase the Business Manager's salary equal to the new hire's salary. The new hire and the increase will be subsidized by the County.

➤ **Guest Presentation.** Michele Martin, Career Development Instructor, presented on The Speedy Startup program - a 12-week, action-focused program that helps individuals start their own businesses. The program has been successfully piloted with the Bucks County (PA) Workforce Development Board. Participants set business goals, test their business model, develop a website, and implement a social media campaign. The group meets once a week and are integrated with the business community through the Chamber of Commerce. Out of 25 current participants, 18 are generating revenue, and four obtained employment.

➤ **One-Stop Director Report.** On behalf of G. Janz, D. Todd reported out on the One-Stop Career Center activities. The report included updates on the upcoming Bergen County Job Fair scheduled for October 23, and Workforce Learning Link programming change to include soft skills training.

➤ **Quorum.** A quorum was reached at 9:15am.

- **Treasurer Report.** G. Charne present the Treasurer's Report, attached hereto.
- **Approval of Consent Agenda.** On a motion made by P. Goldfarb, seconded by L. Joewono, the following resolutions were approved:

Res. No.	Subject	Amount/Summary
2015-18	Acceptance of Reports	Accept quarterly reports of the Board (Committees, Councils, Officers, and Staff).
2015-19	Acceptance of BCTS Oversight Resolutions	Acknowledge receipt pf BCTS oversight resolutions.
2015-20	Acceptance of Special State and Federal Funds	Acceptance of PY15 WIOA funds pursuant to the NOOs

by following roll call vote:

Roll Call:				
A	Lynn Bartlett	A	Lori Friedman	Maggie Peters
A	Maxine Becker (Gilda Escobar*)	A	Patrice Goldfarb	A Michele Talamo
A	Steven Blumenthal		Walter Hecht	James Tedesco (Marc Schrieks)
	Mark Bocchieri	A	Jayne Jacobson	Jim Thebery
A	Robert Calocino	A	Greg Janz (Donna Todd*)	Vince Vicari
A	George Charne	A	Lorraine Joewono	Joan Voss (Tracy Zur)
	Dominick D'Agosta	A	Tedd Kochman	Kathy Walsh
A	Dr. Allan DeGiulio (Figen Tabakci*)		Shannon Lazare	A Dr. Kaye Walter
	Etta Denk		Dr. Howard Lerner (John Susino*)	Lou Weiss
A	Martin Devaney	A	Jane Linter	Paula Wills
	Thomas Eastwick	A	Jackie Lue Raia	
A	Deborah Fredericks		Norah Peck (Sharon Rosario*)	

* Alternate/proxy member; Legend: Aye (A), Nay (N), Abstain (T), Absent (Blank/None)

- **Approval of Minutes.** A motion made by P. Goldfarb, seconded by G. Charne, to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2015 meeting, as distributed, unanimously passed. The following roll call vote was taken:

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A	Lynn Bartlett	A	Lori Friedman	Maggie Peters
A	Maxine Becker (Gilda Escobar*)	A	Patrice Goldfarb	A Michele Talamo
T	Steven Blumenthal		Walter Hecht	James Tedesco (Marc Schrieks)
	Mark Bocchieri	A	Jayne Jacobson	Jim Thebery
A	Robert Calocino	T	Greg Janz (Donna Todd*)	Vince Vicari
A	George Charne	A	Lorraine Joewono	Joan Voss (Tracy Zur)
	Dominick D'Agosta	T	Tedd Kochman	Kathy Walsh
T	Dr. Allan DeGiulio (Figen Tabakci*)		Shannon Lazare	A Dr. Kaye Walter
	Etta Denk		Dr. Howard Lerner (John Susino*)	Lou Weiss
A	Martin Devaney	A	Jane Linter	Paula Wills
	Thomas Eastwick	A	Jackie Lue Raia	
T	Deborah Fredericks		Norah Peck (Sharon Rosario*)	

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- **Approval of Workforce Learning Link Soft Skills Academy (Res. No. 2015-21).** A motion made by P. Goldfarb, seconded by R. Calocino, to approve Resolution No. 2015-21, unanimously passed.

The following roll call vote was taken:

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A	Lynn Bartlett	A	Lori Friedman	Maggie Peters
A	Maxine Becker (Gilda Escobar*)	A	Patrice Goldfarb	A Michele Talamo
A	Steven Blumenthal		Walter Hecht	James Tedesco (Marc Schrieks)
	Mark Bocchieri	A	Jayne Jacobson	Jim Thebery
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A	Martin Devaney	A	Jane Linter	✓ Paula Wills
	Thomas Eastwick	A	Jackie Lue Raia	
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- **Committee Written Reports Q&A.** No questions were presented.
- **Old Business.** No old business was presented.
- **New Business.** No new business was presented.
- **Public Comment and Non-Agenda Items.** None.
- **Adjournment.** A motion made by A. DeGiulio, seconded by P. Goldfarb to adjourn the meeting, unanimously passed. Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 AM.