

**Piedmont Workforce Development Board (PWDB)**  
**Business and Education Outreach Committee**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**1:30 PM – 2:30 PM**



**2024 Committee Members (green is present and red is absent)**

**Scott Kozuch, Bold Rock Hard Cider, Chair**

**Carol Coffey, TJACE at PVCC**

**Jeff Earney, Gaston & Wyatt**

**Jason Ford, VCW Culpeper Center**

**Annette Hyde, Health and Wellness**

**Patrick McAloon, Holladay House**

**Jane Conony Mills, Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry**

**Jess Peregoy, Greene County Career and Technical Education**

**Bryan Rothamel, Culpeper County Economic Development**

**Gary Spry, Offender Aid and Restoration**

**Shawn Woodfolk, Oak Run Farm**

**Non-Committee Members in Attendance**

Shawn Batten

Kyaw Khine

McKenzie Smith

<b>I. Call to Order at 1:31 PM</b>	<b>Scott Kozuch</b>
<b>II. Review of Meeting Minutes</b>	<b>Scott Kozuch</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Moved review of February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024, meeting minutes until the next committee meeting. The committee will review the February and April Meeting minutes at next month's meeting.</li> </ul>	
<b>III. Grant Updates (TSC and V-TOP)</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Event announcement for April 15<sup>th</sup>, "Targeted Employer Outreach for VTOP (Wage Match + VA Mentor) - Employer Research"</li> <li>- VCWP hosted our third business coalition event combining the light manufacturing and food &amp; beverage industries. The event focused on employee business retention and incentive initiatives and strategies.</li> <li>- Work-based learning in Greene County, Nelson County, and Fluvanna County has been completed.</li> <li>- Discussion of digitizing the VCWP resources to make it more user-friendly.</li> </ul>	
<b>IV. Highly Skilled Immigrants Ended up Working in Low-Skilled Jobs</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Kyaw Khine presented a PowerPoint presentation on highly skilled immigrants working lower-skilled jobs.</li> <li>- Carol Coffey shared updates on TJACE hosting Senator Tim Kaine</li> <li>- Challenges TJACE has noticed is the number of people that they serve often have high credential backgrounds in their home country but cannot hold the same job in the United States due to language barriers, the cost, and the time it would take going back to school in the U.S. for the same career.</li> <li>- TJACE currently has a waitlist for people who are seeking their services.</li> </ul>	
<b>V. Comments</b>	<b>Committee Members</b>
<b>VI. Adjournment at 2:14 PM</b>	

**2024 Committee Meetings, Tuesdays, 1:30 – 2:30 pm**

May 8, 2024

August 13, 2024

July 9, 2024

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