



DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF COLUMBIA COUNTY

Existing Business Development & Workforce Development Committee

MEETING MINUTES – August 15, 2014

Center for Trade & Tourism
1000 Business Boulevard, Evans, GA 30809

Committee Members (those absent indicated with an asterisk (*))

Phil Gaffney, Committee Co-Chairman*
Mike Holliman, Committee Co-Chairman
Doug Duncan, DACC Chairman
Jean Garniewicz
Hugh Hollar

Staff (those absent indicated with an asterisk (*))

Robbie Bennett, *Executive Director*
Karen Eyink, *Executive Assistant*

Guests Present

I. Call to Order & Welcome

Co-Chairman Mike Holliman called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. for the Existing Business & Workforce Development Committee.

II. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

Co-Chairman Holliman asked the committee to approve the August 15, 2014 agenda and June 13, 2014 minutes for the Existing Business & Workforce Development committee meeting. Doug Duncan made a motion to approve the agenda and minutes. Motion seconded by Jean Garniewicz. Motion carried.

III. Agenda Items and General Discussion

Robbie gave an update on the Existing Industry Council Meeting Breakfast that was held on August 12 at Augusta Technical College – Columbia County Campus in Grovetown.

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The breakfast was well attended by the Columbia County business community. The committee received good feedback from the attendees on the topic of education and workforce development training. Guest speakers were Dr. Lisa Palmer, VP of Economic Development at Augusta Technical College and Julie Kenney, CTAE Coordinator of Columbia County Board of Education. Both speakers reviewed curriculums and programs offered to the students.

Old Business:

The committee discussed various items such as the needs and skill sets for local industry, workforce assessments, advisory boards, workforce development training and internship programs.

New Business:

The committee discussed having the second annual existing industry luncheon for either October or November.

IV. Calendar of Events

The next Existing Business & Workforce Development committee meeting will be held on October 17, 2014 at DACC office.

V. Adjournment

Co-Chairman Holliman asked for a motion to adjourn the committee meeting. Jean Garniewicz made a motion to adjourn the committee meeting. Doug Duncan seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:

Robbie Bennett, CEcD
Executive Director
Development Authority of Columbia County