



DACC Existing Business and Workforce Development Committee		
10-Mar-23		8:30 a.m.
DACC Conference Room		
Meeting called by	Jean Garniewicz	
Type of meeting	Existing Business and Workforce Development Committee	
Facilitator		
Note taker	Anita Patel	
Adjourned	9:15 a.m.	
Attendees	Jean Garniewicz, Kerry Bridges, Rick Evans	
Staff/Guests	Robbie Bennett, Anita Patel, Garrett Dragano	
Meeting Agenda		
1 minute(s)	Jean Garniewicz	
Discussion	A motion to approve the Agenda for the March 10, 2023 Existing Business and Workforce Development Committee Meeting was made by Kerry Bridges. Second: Rick Evans. The motion carries unanimously (3-0).	
Conclusions	None	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Minutes of Previous Meeting		
0 minute(s)	none	
Discussion	None	
Conclusions	None	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Old Business		
0 minute(s)	None	
Discussion	None	
Conclusions	None	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A



New Business		
0 minute(s)	None	
Discussion	None	
Conclusions	None	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Updates		
30 minute(s)	Robbie Bennett, Garrett Dragano	
Discussion	<p>Garrett Dragano shared:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Existing Industry visits are going well and there will be an existing industry appreciation event at SRP Park for a Green Jackets game on May 23rd. 150 tickets will be given to existing industries in Columbia County to share with their employees.</li> <li>- CEO Roundtable - an effort by DACC, CC Chamber and County to bring local CEO's together for regular meetings and discuss leadership concerns and collaborative efforts to address issues. Committee asked for a contact sheet with top executives from existing industry.</li> <li>- Major issues affecting workforce:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Childcare</li> <li>- Workforce training/upskilling/work-based learning for high school students in collaboration with Columbia County Schools</li> <li>- Transportation</li> <li>- Availability</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Robbie Bennett shared that with the closing of John Deer Parkway and making the area an enclosed campus, John Deere will have the opportunity to make changes/growth when needed. Other key industries may be planning growth/expansions as well in the near future.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Robbie shared that he and Garrett would be meeting with site managers at Amazon today - Rick with AGS 1 and Adam with AGS5.</li> </ul>	
Conclusions		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Adjournment		9:15:00 AM
Conclusions	Motion to adjourn: Rick Evans Second: Kerry Bridges. Motion carries unanimously (3-0)	
Next meeting: May 12, 2023	DACC Conference Room	All