

Indiana County Manufacturing Consortium
Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2010

Attendees: Ellen Starry – Gorell
Mike Rempel – Gorell
Volker Valentin – Gorell
Jim Mignanelli – JJ Kennedy
Julie Miller – MGK
Steve McPherson – MGK
Dave Coleman – Cleveland Brothers
Mike McCracken – Cleveland Brothers
Dennis McCracken – Quintech
Nancy Saxman – Synergy
Stephanie DiLeo – Homer City Automation

Ken Raybuck – Tri-county WIB
Jerry Richardson – Planning and Development
Herb Gleditsch - CareerLink
Jane Gardner – IUP, Eberly College

Budget:

We discussed the proposal for spending that Mike put together.

- Electro-optics camp – This is a 2 week program that draws from all 3 counties and is well liked by the students. Sponsorship covers meals for the participants.
- STEM – this conference is on June 15th in Butler and needs sponsors. In attendance will be educators, school districts, etc... We have \$500 penciled in to our budget for sponsorship.
- Ellen suggested increasing the money allotted for the Electro-optics camp, decreasing the money for radio ads, and increasing the money to be given to the Jimmy Stewart Airport Festival Days to get our name on the plaque.
- Stephanie agreed with Ellen to increase the money for the Airport festival as to get our name on the plaque. She also agreed that we should contribute money to Educator in the Workplace.

We then discussed some promotional item options to hand out at different events. Mike will reconfigure the budget based on the comments and suggestions made at the meeting and will send it out to the members.

Job Fair

A reminder that the job fair is April 15th and volunteers are still needed.

Tuition Reimbursement Update:

We have \$64,600 to be split fairly between the 3 counties. Our share of this money has been spent and everyone that applied for funds received them.

Shared Training:

The providers of our training will be the MBA certification program, Innovation Ideation, IUP HR training, and Catalyst website optimization. We have not used all of our available money. We discussed taking another look at the IUP Ideation program or using the remaining money for welding training. There will be a call organized to discuss what type of welding needs our members have.

E-mentoring:

E-mentoring is a site to help students that are in search of a career. The address is www.pa-ementor.org. If you are interested in mentoring, please visit this website.

Dale Carnegie-IMAP:

We received a handout listing the various topics available for these sessions. They will come to location for training. If more than 1 company is interested in a topic we could possibly use shared training money.

Legislative Committee Update:

E-mails were sent out to various candidates inviting them to speak at our event on April 19th. Ken will be sending out an e-mail asking for 1 question from everyone. This list will then be compiled to ask the candidates in attendance.

Energy Efficient Lamp Technology:

We agreed to invite a speaker on this topic to our next meeting.

Other: