



Career and College Readiness Council

BAMIT

Wednesday Feb. 12, 2014

12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Present

Katie Haun, Swedish American
Mason Osbourne, UTAS
David Carson, RPS
Phillip Way, Rockford University
Gina Caronna, RPS
Audra Cooke, RVC
Sheila Schmitt, Scribe
Debbie Kimes, RCDC
Michelle Borgialli, Thermo fisher Scientific
Jason Todd, Thinker Profit

Absent

Kalah Carson, UTC
Lesly Couper, Alpine Bank
Mike Connor, IT Consultants
Anna Feetham, Comfort Inn
James O'Hagan, RPS
Karen Fiery, Fiery Mind
John Groh, Rockford Area Visitors Bureau
Josh Houghton, Riverside Community Bank
Noemi Kaplan, UTC
Kristin Karch
Brittney Kroening, UTC
Caitlin Ludwig, Blackhawk Bank
Pam Maher, KMK Media
Melissa Nodurft, McDonalds
Anna O'Keefe, Rockford Area Arts
Kim Seidl, UTC
Andrew Shallow, Associated Bank
Chris Sisson, Rockford University
David Sobojinski, BMO Harris Bank
Jim Stone, Maverick Media
Jeff Swanberg, Rockford Career College
Shannon Tuenisson, UTC
John Torrence, Torrence Enterprises
Andrea Ward, BMO Harris Bank
Heidi Dettman, RPS
Joseph DeChatelets, Rockford Mutual Insurance
LuAnn Wigermen, RPS
Dave Smith, WIFR
Deb Eisfeller, Alpine Bank
Sharon Nesbit-Davis, Rockford Area Arts
Tim Beshaw, Alpine Bank
Peggy Pottoff, Illinois CSI

1. Call to order: 12:05 p.m.

Introductions – new members

2. Update from AST's

BAMIT has representation for all AST sites.

At East the Freshman Seminar teachers have met with the ASTs.

They are working on a list of careers and information about them. They are also looking into people to come speak to the students regarding the various careers.

3. Review/Revise templates for curriculum

Dave gave an overview of the Pathway form that was sent out on Google Docs.

While discussing and viewing forms that have been received additional skills were mentioned. Dave will send the updated form to the Council for review and continue adding information.

The end goal is to look at the forms for the various pathways and see what skills are across the board within an Academy and also between Academies.

These guidelines will be used when planning the Boot Camps in July/August.

4. Be Your Own Boss Club Update and Planning

a. Update regarding Eiger Lab and Transform Rockford

b. Alignment Rockford Student Enrichment ITP

A discussion was held with Dan from Eiger Lab and the possible opportunity for Fast Pitch in April. Dan suggested making the focus app development and game development along with Entrepreneurship as another way to connect with students. Dan also suggested the possibility of making it a separate competition for students for awards instead of a financial award.

There are different avenues for funding programs. If not for the complete program, possibly enough to get it started.

Discussed Crowd Sourcing and Kickstarter and this is something PJ is looking into.

Jason Todd from Thinker Profit gave an overview of his company and how they might be able to work with the district for entrepreneurship students.

They have a Push Competition where they can earn a financial award along with possible funding of the project. They will respond to all that entered something with feedback on the project. This is the first competition, but hoping to continue the program. They plan on designing monthly seminars for those that submit a project. This is open for all ages and ends 3/31/14.

There is a possibility of tailoring something for just students.

Schools need community support to develop the young people in the area.

5. Other

Set up a subcommittee to work on the Entrepreneur Club.

6. Meeting Calendar

Wednesday – March 12 – 12:00pm - RPS Administration Building – **6th Floor** Conference Room