

**Workforce Innovation Board of Ramsey County**  
**Constructions-Green Jobs Committee Meeting Minutes**  
 Tuesday, January 11, 2022  
 2:00-3:00 PM

**Present:**

Joseph Adamji  
 Robert Blake  
 Becky Brink Ray  
 Chris Duffrin  
 Muneer Karcher-Ramos  
 Donald Mullin  
 Jodi Pincus  
 Elisa Rasmussen  
 Russ Stark

**Absent:**

**Staff/Guests:**

Ling Becker, Workforce Solutions  
 Mariann Macalus, Workforce Solutions  
 Rebecca Milbrandt, Workforce Solutions  
 John O’Phelan, Workforce Solutions  
 De’Vonna Pittman, CEI

**Call to Order & Land Acknowledgement**

Chair Mullin called the meeting to order at 2:02pm and read the land acknowledgement aloud.

**Approve November Minutes**

**Motion (Karcher-Ramos/Stark) to approve the November 9, 2021, minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously by chat vote.**

**Conflict of Interest Statement**

Chair Mullin asked everyone to review the statement and e-sign and return it to Milbrandt.

**Action Planning**

Becker gave a summary of the October action planning session and the work done up to this point. She then introduced Pittman who shared the main points obtained from various small groups during the planning session. The Committee then did some brainstorming of action items for the next two years, which resulted in the following:

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Action	Timing	Strategic Areas
Promote and support industry level events	On-going	Systems Alignment and Support Employer Engagement and Support
Explore Hidden Worker initiatives	2022-2023	Systems Alignment and Support Employer Engagement and Support System Innovation Culturally Responsive Leadership
Worker Retention initiative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Evaluation of existing programs</li> <li>o CBO Feedback through convening or community conversations</li> </ul>	2022	Systems Innovation Culturally Responsive Leadership
Supporting relief funding available	On-going	Systems Alignment and Support
Better understanding of the future of work in construction – green jobs	2022	System Innovation

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**Director Updates**

*Federal Trial – East Building Relocation Plans:* Becker shared Ramsey County’s plans for shifting residents services and staff over the next six to eight weeks.

*Good Jobs Challenge Grant:* Becker shared that the Good Jobs Challenge is workforce focused on underserved populations and areas, communities of color, women and other groups facing labor market barriers, serving trainees participating in Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families and Women, Infants and Children and veterans and military spouses. A Joint Powers Agreement with Hennepin County and the cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis was just approved by the Ramsey County Board. Becker also shared a visual and explained how the grant is structured and the timeline.

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**Other**

No other items were discussed.

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**Adjourn**

Upon completion of the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 3:02pm.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 8, 2022, 2-3pm