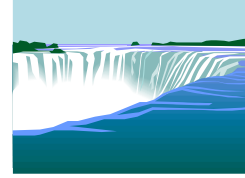


Niagara County Workforce Development Group
ZOOM Meeting



Wednesday, February 24, 2021 @ 9 a.m.
MINUTES

Item	Result
Welcome Attendees	Dennis M., Bonnie R., Mike K., Mike C., Jola S., Brandon B., Renee P., Karen K., Chandra W.
Minutes from January meeting	Yay
REPORTS Alphabet soup	<p>Four OJT's are completed, 2 each at Broda Machine and Ancor. There are 7 running at present and several new ones starting (Rus Industries, Niacet, Virtual Polymer Compounds, American Glass and Mirror). An OJT at Superior Tool did not happen.</p> <p>There is a great deal of interest in OJT among area companies including: Cascade, Vishay, Materion, Buffalo Gear.</p> <p>Snyder Industries- OJT opportunity for CNC Machinist , no experience necessary shared by ACCES-VR , have a possible candidate from Buffalo collaboration with BETC</p>
NCE&T, Michael K.	
Career Center, Chandra W.	<p>One Stop traffic is on the up tick.</p> <p>There have been many questions about UI fraud and information can be found on the website.</p> <p>Summer Youth applications are out. Both participants and worksites are being sought.</p> <p>As weather improves we are considering outdoor events such as outdoor career fairs.</p> <p>Temp Agencies are now doing recruitments at the OneStop.</p>
WDB, Bonnie R.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any youth ages 16-24, please visit www.niagarawdb.com for info on the 3 WIOA Youth programs. • TANF Summer Youth program - ages 14-20 - Jola will ensure that Joe B. distributes applications to DSS case workers. • NYS Legislative Advocacy - Bonnie will meet with NYS Legislators today, through NYATEP, from 11am to 4pm today. Will be advocating for flexible funding, affordable high speed broadband internet, upskilling and reskilling dollars for our local employers and job seekers. • Workforce Development Board has 5 new members who will be oriented soon. • Request for Proposals for Youth Outreach/Advertising has been released. Visit www.niagarawdb.com to learn more.

<p>NCCED, Mike C</p>	<p>Agra Business Seminars on March 23 and 25 from 9-11 am both days. Partners in this endeavor include Niagara USA Chamber, Cornell Cooperative Extension, the Farm Bureau. National Grid is also involved.</p> <p>See attachment for the Three project summaries discussed.</p> <p>Small Business Workshops- The virtual general variety will occur on 4/14, 8/18 and 12/8. The new focused workshops. begin tomorrow, February 25 and will present on Workforce Development programs including WorkSourceOne, ACCES-VR, NCCC and O-N BOCES.</p>
<p>NCCC, Karen K.</p>	<p>NCCC Classes starting soon:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Billing March 1 • Supply Chain Management March 16 • Google IT Network Professional- March 22 • Residential Electrical March 25 • Hospitality April 1 <p>Micro-credentials- looking for ways to provide funding for participants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child Care Associate • Substance Abuse Professional • Kitchen essentials/cook <p>Apprenticeship- Working with ITGO for organization sponsorship for Supply Chain/Logistics</p>
<p>OTDA, Jola S.</p>	<p>Finishing up Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) emails from Spring 2020 and catch up on Fall semester.</p>
<p>DSS, Joe B1.</p>	<p>Jola reported that Joe is still doing SNAP interviews</p>
<p>ACCES-VR, Dennis M.</p>	<p>For the Buffalo Niagara Human Resources Association-A virtual panel discussion of the effective, challenging and the sometimes complex issues arising from the changes to the recruitment process brought about by the pandemic as related diversity initiatives in the workplace.</p> <p>Panelists: Kayla Parenti- Field Staffing Manager – Ohio Valley, The Home Depot David Scott, Director of Diversity and Inclusion – Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center Colin Gehl- Talent Acquisition and Development Manager, Family and Children’s Services Andrea Todaro- President, Innovative Placements Rebecca Broderick, CPP and SHRM-SCP- Payroll Manager, UB Foundation Activities, INC, SUNY Andrea M. Lattimore -Senior Recruiter, TA/ CS&L HR Generalist, Human Resources, Rich Products Bonnie S. Rice-Executive Director, Niagara County Workforce Development Board</p>

	<p>Moderator: Dennis Martinez- Regional Coordinator for Business Engagement-ACCES-VR https://bnhra.org/meetinginfo.php?id=324&ts=1614200952</p> <p>Inclusion Committee (formerly Special Populations Committee) for the WDB will reconvene in March as an advisory group to address issues of physical and service-related accessibility for persons with disabilities and others using the One Stop.</p> <p>Virtual Brochures- ACCES-VR is exploring ideas to create virtual brochures aimed at the business community.</p>
<p>NYS CB, Brandon B.</p>	<p>Accessibility issues with remote set ups. OJT activity in Niagara County include Eastern Niagara Hospital, Niagara University, Lockport Steamworks.</p>
<p>SUNYAB, Renee P. RESTORE</p>	<p>Enrollees of RESTORE are eligible to participate in a NYS Certified Recovery Peer Advocate (CRPA) program. Program would otherwise cost \$850 and is running 3/8 to 3/29, 6 to 9 pm. See attached Flyer Chandra share contact information for Niagara County Probation. Renee will follow up for possible candidates.</p>
<p>NEXT MEETING -, the 4th Wednesday</p>	<p>NEXT MEETING – WEBEX March 24, 9am</p>
<p>Remaining meetings in 2021</p>	<p>April 28 May 26 June 23 July 28 August 25 September 22 October 27 November 24 December 22</p>