

DACC Existing Business and Workforce Development Committee		
	4-Jan-19	8:30 a.m. DACC
Meeting called by	Phil Gaffney	
Type of meeting	Existing Business and Workforce Development Committee	
Facilitator	Robbie Bennett	
Note taker	Anita Patel	
Adjourned	9:30 a.m.	
Attendees	Phil Gaffney, Jean Garniewicz, Hugh Hollar	
Staff/Guests	Robbie Bennett, Anita Patel, Taylor Edwards	
Meeting Agenda		
>1 Minute(s)	Jean Garniewicz	
Discussion	Agenda for January 4, 2019 approved.	
Conclusions	Motion to approve agenda: Jean Garniewicz. Second: Hugh Hollar. Motion carries unanimously (3-0)	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Minutes of Previous Meeting		
>1 Minute(s)	None	
Discussion	Motion to approve Minutes from 7/13/18 Existing Business and Workforce Development Committee Meeting, Jean Garniewicz. 2nd, Hugh Hollar. Motion carries unanimously (3-0).	
Conclusions	None	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Old Business		
0 Minute(s)	None	
Discussion	N/A	
Conclusions	none	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
New Business		
15 minute(s)	Robbie Bennett	

Discussion	<p>Robbie presented the "Request for Applications" from CAEL suggesting that we apply as a region. Application is due January 31. Study is for an 18-month time period of selected regions to identify, prioritize and implement strategies to address workforce development challenges. Workforce & talent alignment strategies, talent attraction & retention, refitting/retraining workforce, barriers to entry as well as how to reintroduce people/attract people back to the workforce.</p> <p>SRS CRO - Discussion was held on the uses of remaining SRSCRO Funds. The idea of using the remaining funds for a comprehensive review of the workforce, workforce needs, and barriers to entry was met with a positive response.</p>		
Conclusions	<p>Hugh Hollar made a motion to support the CAEL application with Robbie's leadership. Second: Jean Garniewicz. Motion carries unanimously (3-0).</p>		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
	N/A	N/A	
Updates			
8 minute(s)	Robbie Bennett		
Discussion	<p>Robbie shared that he received a memo from the State regarding our county's military-zone / tier-ranking.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dropped 1 ranking, remain Tier 4 - Military Zone includes Harlem, Gateway/Horizon South/County-owned Industrial Park - White Oak Business Park will be considered Tier 1 - Local companies may be able to benefit from this ranking and grow - Jodi Lott and the entire delegation were important in getting this passed <p>Taylor Edwards shared the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - HR Group - Richmond and Columbia County <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Monthly meetings, Employers are interested and driving the topics for the meetings - considering including more counties - November meeting Nicole Iman was the guest speaker who spoke about apprenticeships - Apprenticeship models and the assistance her group can provide with data collection and paperwork - Stated that due to the high demand of apprenticeships, they cannot get started until with the 2020 German Chamber of Commerce - Federal Apprentice program available - Next Meeting - January 30th at 7:30 am and Lisa Palmer from Augusta Tech will be the speaker - Work Keys - employers would like these assessments, DACC working with Board of Ed to get ACT Work Keys back in schools - Taylor updated on marketing efforts - Social Media - working on content generation - Newsletter - monthly - good feedback, next month will also distribute via Facebook & Linked-In - Robbie said that they are also GA Power Sales Tax Exemption - Trying to education industry on exemptions available - CTAE - invited Taylor to attend Advisory Panel. - The idea of revamping DACC Annual Event was discussed. It is recommend that we hold a "State of the Economy" This event would be used as the Capital Campaign Kick-off, May 15th, breakfast event 		
Conclusions			
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	



Adjournment		9:27	
Conclusions	Motion to adjourn: Hugh Hollar. Second: Jean Garniewicz. Motion carries unanimously (3-0)		
Next meeting: TBD	DACC Conference Room B	All	