

North Central P-16 Council

Minutes

April 10, 2015

PRESENT:

Carol Bazenet		George Pimentel
Annette Bohanan	Don Long	
Howard Bradley	Hilary Marabeti	Patty Powell
Paige Brown	Brandy McFadden	Chris Rippy
Randy Campbell	Rob McFadden	Marla Rye
Lauren Collier	Jane McGuire	Clint Satterfield
Kay Dayton	Kelly Miller	Emily Short
Lisa Dickson	Karen Mitchell	Steve Sparks
Jerry Faulkner	Kathy Mitchell	Jerry Spivey
Hope Foley	Sherry Mitchell	John Watz
Phyllis Foley	Reggie Mudd	Ben Wolf
Abe Gaskins	Kim Myers	
Jimmy Johnston	Rick Parrent	
Bill Locke	Karen Petty	

Guest Speakers

Matt Ricker, President and CEO, Volunteer State Bank
Chris Rippy, Sr. Vice President/Area Manager, Pinnacle Financial Partners
Ben Wolf, Field Director/Financial Representative, Northwestern Mutual

BUSINESS:

Dr. Faulkner called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

The minutes of the January 16, 2015 meeting were reviewed. Upon motion by Reggie Mudd, second by Kathy Mitchell, the minutes were approved.

Career Exploration Fair 2015

An update was provided by Rick Parrent. The event will be held May 14, 2015 in Pickle Fieldhouse, VSCC. Approximately 2380 8th graders from Sumner and Trousdale Counties will attend. VSCC faculty and staff will serve as academic representatives. Rick shared that more vendors/exhibitors were needed, specifically in the areas of Financial Services/Civil Services. Participation information is available on the web link:

<http://www.volstate.edu/careerplacement/career-exploration-form.php>

B.E.S.T. Award: Businesses Empowering Students and Teachers

Hilary Maribeti asked that members begin thinking about possible nominations for the award, to be presented at the October meeting. Nominations can be a business or an individual from the 5 county area served by the NC P-16 Council.

Banking and Financial Panelists

Introduced by Dr. Faulkner, serving as moderator for the panel, Matt Ricker, Chris Rippy and Ben Wolf answered questions and shared insight from their respective fields and how it relates to college graduates entering the workforce, including the needs of their industry.

Discussion Included:

- What educators need to know/do to facilitate and support business interaction with their institution.
- If and where businesses are having trouble filling the workforce.
- What areas of skill need greatest emphasis to equip those entering the workforce.
- Businesses degree requirements, in house training, tuition reimbursement/assistance.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

The next meeting will be hosted by Union University, Hendersonville Campus, July 17, 2015, 11:00-1:00 p.m.