

Union County Workforce Development Board
Minutes Of American Job Center Partners Committee
Via Conference Call
July 22, 2016 At 9:00am

PRESENT:

Glen Nacion, Chairman, Trinitas Regional Medical Center
Juan Carlos Dominguez, JJJ Distributors
Stan Robinson, Jr., SHR Marketing, LLC
Gloria Durham, Genesis Solutions
Jean Koszulinski, Workforce Operations
Gleshia Givens, Workforce Development Board
Antonio Rivera, Workforce Development Board

COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY:

Members of the American Job Center Partners reviewed and discussed an innovation program pilot opportunity in collaboration with the Elizabeth Board of Education and the American Job Center. Phil Kandl led the discussion on the proposed partnership, curriculum, and program timeline.

Introduction to Microsoft Networking Training

Computers are now found in every walk of life: in the home, in the office, in banks, in schools and colleges, in industry, and so on. Although in some instances the computers carry out their intended function in a standalone mode, in other it is necessary to exchange information with other computers. This means that an essential consideration in the design of most forms of computing equipment installed today is the type of data communication facility that allows it to communicate with other computers. Therefore we need to understand the interface requirements of the many different types of computer communication networks available.

This Microsoft Networking Training course covers the basic Networking Essentials, LAN, WAN, Media, Topology, Protocols, and Troubleshooting and Microsoft Operating Systems, Installing Windows, Configuring, Hardware Devices and Drivers, Securing Resources with NTFS permissions, Administering Shared Folders,

Managing Data Storage, Managing Printers, Over view of Active Directory, configuring Network and Internet connections, Configuring Security settings, Setting up and Managing Users Accounts, Backing up and restoring data, and Troubleshooting the Hardware, Applications, and operating System.

This program prepares students for rewarding careers in the dynamic field of computer networking. The continued growth of the Internet, wide area networks (WANs) and local area networks (LANs) requires people with the broad knowledge and skills needed to design, manage, secure and troubleshoot sophisticated information storage, retrieval and presentation systems. After completion of this course, students will be able to seek jobs in any networking IT business. They may also continue in their studies to complete their Microsoft Certified System Engineering, or they can pursue for higher education while working.

Computers and Technology are crucial to our nation's economic competitiveness and the global economy we as a nation are a part of Involving our students in a program that enhances cognitive and social growth along with competitiveness in the global market place is of utmost importance since we must encourage and promote progress to our students by offering the most up to date computer courses that will enable them to operate in the real world. The changing world of technology requires knowledge of technology for basic citizenry, employment and higher pursuits of education in all fields. Technology should no longer be viewed as a discipline that is reserved for the elitist in mathematics nor a replacement for the mechanical operations so familiar to us all. Instead, the field of technology, of which computers are an integral part, should be open to all students at various levels to fulfill their educational needs, vocational training, career interests and aptitudes.

In addition to discussing the Microsoft Summer Technology Training-Networking Essentials Curriculum, the American Job Center Partners discussed the need to integrate the essential soft skills needed for the world of work. Gleshia Givens, from the Workforce Development Board, was charged with the task of both development the soft skills curriculum as well as delivering the classroom instruction.

Jean Koszuliski reaffirmed the committee that the American Job Center would facilitate the process of certifying the in-school youth as they were finishing their final summer after graduating and dual-enroll, where appropriate, the participants in a WIOA adult program for additional occupational or technical training and certification.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30am.