

Steel Fabricators Sector Council Meeting

Thursday, February 8, 2018

Lewis Mechanical Contractors

7:30 a.m.

Meeting Notes

Attendees

Companies

Barnhart

David Dingeldein

GMW, Inc.

Tim Smith

National Tank

Naji Nassif

PMSC

Stan Rodgers

Rees-Memphis

Andy Cowan

Southern Systems

Bill Potts

Stinson's Industrial

Lindsay Saylor

Staff

GMACWorkforce

VeLecia Young

Greater Memphis Chamber

Ernest Strickland

Delories J. Williams

Guests

Shelby County Schools

T. A. Brown

Willis Neely

Workforce Resources

Arkansas State University Mid-South

Darrell Fisher Jr.

Pete Selden

Moore Tech

John Schmidt

Karen Treas

Southwest Tennessee Community College

Willie Burley

Dr. Robin Cole

Tennessee College of Applied Technology

Brad Gentry

Workforce Investment Network

Roderick Woody

Welcome and Introductions

Council Chair, Andy Cowan, welcomed the attendees and asked for individual introductions from everyone in attendance.

Lewis Mechanical Contractors Overview and Tour

Al Green led attendees on tour of facilities.

Greater Memphis Chamber

Ernest Strickland, Sr. Vice President of Workforce Development, informed group that Anita Brackin was no longer in the role of Workforce Development Coordinator at the Chamber and that they were looking to post and fill the position in the very near future.

Pathways Tennessee

John Churchill, Vice President of Business Services at GMACW, encouraged the group to visit CollegeforTN.com.

Discussed Pathways framework and introduced representatives from Shelby County Schools. They explained the General Education track at SCS.

Collierville High School announced that they were working with TCAT and were in need of assistance with equipment purchasing decisions and to expand their program.

Andy Cowan asked for members to meet with Joe Woods at Collierville High School to aid and assist with growing the program.

Next Steps

Schools gave updates:

Retool Program to be more viable. Building program for boilermakers and pipe-fitting. (ASU)

Moore Tech is having trouble filling requests for positions. They are partnering with ASU Mid-South to begin integrating and training in various programs.

Brad Gentry, TCAT, mentioned they are mapping out and assisting with the program at Collierville High School.

Meeting Adjourned

