



**Governor's Workforce Policy Advisory Board
Credential Committee
February 18, 2009**

At 12:50pm, the meeting was called to order

Committee Members Present: Chair Kent Dubbe, Sam Chilia, Todd Wilson

Committee Members Absent: Roy Church, David Dhume, Michael Garvey, Mike Kovach, Jack Schron, Jr.

Others Present: David Alstatdt, Terry Ausman, Keith Ewald, Tom Fellrath, Carolyn Gasiorek, Julia Hinten, John Nelson, Denise Pottmeyer, Kathy Shibley, Terry Thomas

Discussion:

The Committee discussed which areas of entry level credentials were needed and that there is no central guidance for business. There was discussion around focusing on dislocated workers versus entry level. Staff from the Board of Regents provided information on programs that are being adopted by the agency. Additionally, the following points were discussed and short term and long term action items were identified:

Short Term Action Items

- The Committee agreed that the target audience they would like to focus on includes the group of workers that falls above K-12 and Tech Prep graduates and bellow workers following an occupation path.
 - This group could include dislocated workers.
- The Committee wanted to identify the National Career Readiness Certification sponsored by the National Association of Manufacturers.
- Staff from the Ohio Board of Regents will provide a list of Ohio certifications or industry licensures. Additionally, Denise Pottmeyer will keep the Committee updated on the status of the federal ABLE program that connects with stackable certificates.

Long Term Action Items

- The Committee will look at how certification will continue to fit into Governor Strickland's Education Reform Package.

The meeting concluded at 2:20 p.m.