



**Group B – Additional Information Needed**

**External Partnership Committee – Public Sector – Boards, Committees,  
Councils, Task Forces and Other Groups of Interest**

<b><u>Organization</u></b>	<b><u>Workforce Development Relationship</u></b>
The Ohio Arts Council	The Ohio Arts Council is committed to the economic, educational and cultural development of the state. The Council believes the arts should be shared by the people of Ohio. The arts arise from public, individual and organizational efforts.
The State Board of Career Colleges and School Boards	The Ohio State Board of Career Colleges and Schools enhances the economic vitality and competitiveness of Ohio and its citizens by continuously improving standards of excellence, assuring the consumer of quality programs and services through a regulatory structure for programs and operations of career colleges and schools and providing knowledgeable advisory expertise to schools on the "best" career education practices and standards to enhance their effectiveness.
Ohio Broadband Council	The Ohio Broadband Council is dedicated to establishing Ohio as a world-class competitor by leveraging the state’s investment in broadband infrastructure while developing jobs of the future. The goal is for Ohio to lead the nation in the deployment and effective use of broadband, creating a competitive, well-connected economy in Ohio.
The Ohio Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs	The purpose of the Ohio Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs is to advise state government on issues affecting Hispanic Ohioans, to connect the diverse Latino communities across the state, and to build the capacity of community organizations so they may better serve the fast growing Latino population of Ohio. The Commission has three programs: Public Policy Center (advise), Latino Community Network (connect), Organizations Development Center (build). The Board of Commissioners is the body in which rests the statutory responsibility and authority of the agency. Each commissioner serves for a three year term, and may be reappointed to serve additional terms. The terms of office of the commissioners are staggered so that approximately one-third of seats on the board is open for appointment/reappointment each October. The Commission has a new Committee Structure to reflect the Strategic Plan for the 2008-2009 Biennium (plan originally known as the Global Ready Ohio for the 21st Century.) The board consists of the following committees: Executive, Education, Workforce and Development and Maximizing Ohio’s Emerging Diversity.
eTech Ohio Commission	eTech Ohio is a national leader in advancing learning through technology. Established by the State, eTech manages a telecommunications network that supports the distribution of educational content and online learning.
Ohio Learning Network	OLN works with higher education, schools, policy makers, business and industry, government, and local communities using technology to expand educational opportunities for Ohioans.
Ohio STEM Learning Network	The Ohio STEM Learning Network (OSLN) is an unprecedented collaborative aimed at building and connecting STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) teaching and learning capacity in regions across the State of Ohio. OSLN is focused on student and teacher success, built from a slate of committed partners from Pre-K-12 education, higher education and business and industry.

External Partnership Committee – 9 Targeted Industries – Boards, Committees,  
Councils, Task Forces and Other Groups of Interest

<b><u>Organization</u></b>	<b><u>Workforce Development Relationship</u></b>
Ohio Business Alliance for Education and the Economy (BAHEE)	An independent nonprofit organization affiliated with the Ohio Business Roundtable, BAHEE was formed in 2005 to be a catalyst, mediator and advocate for an enhanced and more strategic role for Ohio's higher education community in contributing to the state's economic development. BAHEE intends to bring policymakers, college and university presidents and K-12 educators together to raise education achievement and attainment, foster innovation and lift the standard of living across the state. The thirteen board members are all private sector executives.
Green Energy Ohio Board of Directors	Green Energy Ohio (GEO) is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to promoting environmentally and economically sustainable energy policies and practices in Ohio. GEO promotes renewable energy (solar, wind, biomass & low-impact hydro) statewide by acting as a clearinghouse to inform Ohioans on sustainable energy. GEO held training sessions to provide qualified installers of solar electric systems and a similar program is continuing at Owens Community College in Perrysburg, Ohio.
Ohio Fuel Cell Coalition Board of Directors	Ohio is a top destination for the fuel cell industry because of the significant industry cluster that exists here. With ongoing state and private investment, the Fuel Cell Corridor is expanding through workforce development training, technical training, and K – 12 initiatives.
Polymer Ohio Board of Trustees	Polymer Ohio is an industry connecting and networking group that is focused on enhancing the global competitiveness and growth of Ohio's plastics, rubber and advanced materials industry. Ohio is the leader in the global polymer industry. Whether it is traditional products and processes or innovative new materials and applications, you can probably find it in Ohio's polymer industry. Whatever the measure, Ohio is among the top states in the USA for plastics and rubber production. Polymer Ohio's mission is to enhance the growth and global competitiveness of Ohio's polymer, plastic, rubber, paint, sealant, adhesive, ink and advanced materials industry, through the identification and fulfillment of needs and by facilitating the awareness, utilization, and development of existing and future resources. They provide a broad range of value-added programs and services to its members and Ohio's polymer industry. Members include the entire value chain of production from design, materials and equipment through toolmakers and processors to OEM's. Polymer Ohio also includes academic institutions, economic development resources and service providers that enable the industry to continually improve and grow. Polymer Ohio works in cooperation with the Ohio Department of Development to encourage and assist companies in expanding or relocating to the state of Ohio. Polymer Ohio is supported by member dues and by the Ohio Department of Development. The polymer industry is Ohio's largest and most important industry. It includes more than 2,800 companies and more than 140,000 employees. The industry generates \$49 billion in annual revenues and \$5.6 billion in salaries for its workers. The continual stream of new technology and applications provides for continued growth and vitality.

External Partnership Committee – 9 Targeted Industries – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tier Boards,  
Committees, Councils, Task Forces and Other Groups of Interest

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Great Lakes Manufacturing Council	The Great Lakes Manufacturing Council (GLMC) is creating a regional human capital supply chain to provide the talent needed to maintain and advance the competitiveness of Great Lakes Manufacturing region. The GLMC is working to create partnerships and share manufacturing best practices in the Great Lake region, adopt common curriculum/certifications for common regional labor market needs among multiple manufacturing employers and foster regional workforce collaboration and cooperation.
Ohio Energy Project	Ohio Energy Project (OEP) works to promote an energy-educated society and to facilitate leadership, through effective partnerships with schools, businesses, government and communities. OEP's goal is to empower students to become educated leaders of an energy responsible society.