

## Apprenticeship Alabama (AA) Public-Private Partnership Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 10am  
AIDT – Training Center

**Partners:** Kathleen Jones (AU), Don Duncan (Don Duncan All American Auto & Tire Center), Hector Alcazar (HMMA), Danny Perry (Trenholm State Community College), Dr. Glenn King (Wallace Community College-Selma), Meredith Smith (APT), Brinda Barrett (ADOL), Rosalind James, Phee Friend (WDD), Chad Jordan (WDD), Sarah Stewart (WDD), Ruth Patterson (Hamilton-Ryker), MAJ Michelle Alexander, Roger Fortner (RWC Manager & Liaison), Eddie Martin (RWC Liaison), Sherry DeLoach (RWC Liaison), Executive Directors & Staff of Region 1-7 RWCs (Ann Carr, Carl Brady, Lisa Morales, Stephanie McCulloch, Antiqua Cleggett, Kristen Holder, Katherine Waldon, Gindi Prutzman, Lisa Gaither, Micah Bullard), Suzanne Anderson (Direct Communications), Katanga Mants (AA), Jessica Falls (AA), & Sophia Guan (AA), Patsy Richards (AA)

Patsy Richards called the AA-PPP monthly meeting to order at 10:00am.

### AA Update – Patsy Richards

- Staff Changes – Regional Contacts
  - Region 1 – Katanga Mants
  - Regions 2 & 4 – Jessica Falls
  - Regions 3 & 7 – Sophia Guan
  - Regions 5 & 6 – Patsy Richards
- SB295
  - Passed and Enacted 5/30/2019 – Goes into effect 9/1/19
  - Tax Credit Increases
    - Adult Apprentice - 1000 to 1250 per apprentice, up to 10 apprentices per company, up to four years
    - Youth Apprentice – 1750 (additional 500)
- HB570
  - Allow in-school-youth apprentices to work in certain occupations under certain conditions (apprenticeship agreement).
- DHR Regional Summit
  - How to connect their clients to the workforce pipeline
    - Through JOBS program
- DRA Workforce Conference
  - State's Workforce Development Initiatives
    - Memphis, TN – June 4<sup>th</sup>
    - Baton Rouge, LA – June 6<sup>th</sup>

### Partner Discussion:

- Workforce Development Goal for all Partners – Provide Skilled Workers
- Barriers to Collaboration
  - Silos
  - You don't know what you don't know
  - Power

- WORC Grant/Streamlining Initiatives
  - Streamline Initiatives, avoid duplicity
  - ACCS, West Alabama has ARC Grant
  - June 21<sup>st</sup> WORC Grant Conference Call
- Apprenticeship Programs
  - Employer Update
  - Sponsor/RTI Update
    - IT
    - Diesel Mechanics
    - Filling Coordinator Position
- Workforce Development Initiatives – PowerPoint Presentation provided
- Second Chance Job Fair proposal
  - To possibly do one in Montgomery
- Region 3 Upcoming Events
  - Talent Conference – June 26<sup>th</sup>
  - Tuscaloosa Job Fair – July 11<sup>th</sup>
  - Leadership Training Classes at a discounted cost (\$35 per person)
    - Partnered with AIDT
    - Will send out more information via email
- Apprenticeship Summit – November 14<sup>th</sup>
  - Topics
    - Achieving Your Independence – Youth Forum
    - Breakout Sessions
      - Regional Resources
    - Reaching the Youth & Underserved – Forum
  - More information will be released as the date approaches

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00am.

**Next Meeting: September 18th at AIDT Training Center (15 Technology Ct.) at 10am**