In Attendance: Dave Holtgrave, Charlie Juneau, Jim Pennekamp, David Stoecklin, Rod Wolter, Matt Jones and Connie Vick.

Call To Order:
In Gerry Schuetzenhofer’s absence, Dave Holtgrave called the meeting to order at 8:36 AM.

Approval of Minutes:
A motion was made by David Stoecklin to approve the November 20th, 2014 meeting minutes and it was seconded by Charlie Juneau. All voted in approval.

Executive Committee Report:
In Gerry’s absence, David Stoecklin reported that the WIOA rules and regulations have still not been released. David also discussed a WIOA/WIA “side by side”, which compares the differences between the two legislative acts. Per Charlie Juneau’s suggestion, David will give a similar presentation to the full WIB on March 19th.

David also discussed the upcoming move of the East Alton One-Stop staff to the Wood River facility and the need to begin the one-stop operator RFP Process. Jim Pennekamp made a motion to move forward with the process and it was seconded by Rod Wolter. The committee unanimously approved the motion.

David also presented the WIOA transition modification to the five year plan for approval, which will allow Employment & Training to utilize $46,877 for staff training and facilities preparation as it relates to WIOA. Jim Pennekamp made a motion for approval and it was seconded by Rod Wolter. The motion was unanimously approved.

CIMET Report:
In Paul’s absence, Matt Jones reported that the CIMET Committee met on February 25th at the East Alton Worknet Center and the minutes are in the packet. There was a great deal of discussion about WIOA changes as well as the move of one-stop staff to the Wood River facility. The next CIMET meeting will be in April.

Supporting Economic Development:
Jim Pennekamp reported that the Business Retention & Expansion efforts are ongoing and the local municipalities are concentrating on manufacturing and retail.
Communications Report:
In Laura Reed’s absence, David Stoecklin reported that ads were run in Madison and Bond County newspapers to attract potential customers for training and career services. In addition, a flyer has been distributed and also posted on Facebook. The committee is beginning to work on the spring E-Newsletter, which will come out in April.

Membership Report:
At this time, David Stoecklin had no new membership activity to report.

Youth Council:
Rod Wolter reported that the Youth Council met on January 21st and the discussion focused on WIOA draft youth guidelines as well as the upcoming May 8th Career Day at Collinsville Middle School. The next meeting will be May 6th and WIOA rules and regulations will be discussed (if released) and there will be a short presentation on Career Portfolio by Vicki Niederhofer with IDES.

Other Business:
David Stoecklin reiterated that he would give a WIOA/WIA “side by side” presentation at the WIB meeting on March 19th. David also presented the 1-B report and Connie commented that there is still a lack of training participants, especially dislocated (1D) workers. There was no new update on the ATIM grant and David concluded by presenting information on “Work Ready Communities” and asked that the WIB endorse moving forward with the initiative. Rod made the motion for approval and it was seconded by Charlie Juneau. The motion was unanimously approved.

Next Meeting:
The full WIB will meet on Thursday, March 19th @ 7:30AM. The meeting will be held in Manley Auditorium at the Wood River facility.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:33AM.