CALL TO ORDER:
Board Chair, Charlie Juneau, called the meeting to order at 8:03AM and welcomed Carol Foreman (AARP) to the WIB as the newest board member.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present:
Monica Bristow  Walter Hunter  Dr. James Underwood
Rosemarie Brown  Scott Jarmon  Chuck Unger
Rhonda DeGonia  Charlie Juneau  Paul Wellhausen
Carol Foreman  Patrick McKeelhan  Jan Woker
Sam Guarino  James Pulley  Rod Wolter
Dave Holtgrave  David Stoecklin

Members Absent:
Don Abert  Dionne Jackson  Marty St. Peters
Dr. Dale Chapman  Doug Magers  Kevin Schmidt
Dr. Georgia Costello  Brenda Walker McCain  Gerry Schuetzenhofer
Dr. Robert Daiber  Jack Minner  Joe Stevens
Dr. Gary Giamartino  J. Ronald Payton  Dale Stewart
Joe Glik  Jim Pennekamp  Mark Tade
Jay Hawley  Laura Reed  Al Womack

Guests and Staff Present:
Cyndie Garcia  Valerie Thaxton
Rich Heinz  Connie Vick
Matt Jones  David Wilson
Frank Miles

PUBLIC COMMENT:
None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Action):
A motion was made by Monica Bristow to approve the June 22nd meeting minutes and seconded by Jim Pulley. The motion carried unanimously.
GUEST SPEAKERS:
David Wilson from the East-West Gateway Council of Governments gave a 30 minute presentation on their current Sustainable Communities Project, followed by questions and answers. Cyndie Garcia from the Madison County Career and Technical Education System gave a 25 minute overview and update on the ACT’s National Career Readiness Certificate.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Executive Committee:
Charlie reported that the 2011 Fall Semester tuition increases at Lewis and Clark Community College, SIUE, Applied Technology Services and Environmental Resource Training Center had been approved at the August 11th Executive Committee meeting. He asked for a motion to approve, which was given by Rod Wolter and seconded by Walter Hunter. The motion carried unanimously.

Supporting Economic Development:
In Jim Pennekamp’s absence, David Stoecklin reported that the business retention visits were under way in the Riverbend Growth Association and The Chamber of Commerce Southwestern Madison County areas. The data is being entered into the E-Synchronist system and additional visits will continue in the coming months.

Membership and Management Committee:
Chuck Unger reported that Kelly Cobb submitted his letter of resignation and it has been accepted. Due to budget cuts, Cheryl Porte resigned her position with Area Agency on Aging of Southwestern Illinois and that Carol Foreman with AARP is serving the remainder of Cheryl’s term. Efforts are also still being made to find a Bond county replacement for Janice Romack.

CIMET:
Paul Wellhausen reported that there has been no word on the status of the MOU from the state (submitted in May) and that the state has also asked for an MOU revision, which is due October 14th. The CIMET committee plans to meet again in late October/early November.

Communications Committee:
In Laura Reed’s absence, David Stoecklin reported that the electronic WIB newsletter was sent out earlier in the week and he welcomed comments, suggestions and asked if others might have updates to the calendar section.

Youth Council:
In Jay Hawley’s absence, David Stoecklin reported that the Youth Council had canceled the August 3rd meeting due to scheduling conflicts and the next meeting is scheduled for November 2nd. At the November meeting, the Youth Council will discuss the 2012 Career Day Event at both a middle school and high school in Madison County (schools yet to be determined).
Treasurer’s Report:
Dave Holtgrave referenced the financial documents in the board packet and asked for a motion to approve the report. Chuck Unger made a motion to approve, seconded by Paul Wellhausen. The report was unanimously accepted.

Business Services:
Matt Jones referenced the Business Services Activity Report for the period of June 22nd through September 20th, as submitted by Linda Odle, Business Services Representative.

Great River Workforce Development Corporation:
In Jim Pennekamp’s absence, David Stoecklin reported on the six (6) scholarship winners who were recognized at the September 1st event in recognition of Workforce Development Week. Four (4) of the winners are attending Lewis and Clark Community College and two (2) are attending Kaskaskia College. David thanked the WIB members who attended the event.

OTHER BUSINESS:

David Stoecklin referenced the 1B Report in the board packet and commented that the overall number of customers is down, most likely due to budget cuts which resulted in the closing of the Glen Carbon and Granite City offices. He also informed everyone that the Jobs Plus 2011 Job Fair will be held on September 28th from 1-5 pm at the Gateway Center in Collinsville. As of today, there are 50 vendor tables reserved.

David also reported that DCEO was in for a recent monitoring visit and had several “findings”, most of which were related to human error, missing casenotes, etc. and that most of the findings would be corrected very soon.

Lastly, David reported that a Return on Investment (ROI) report was created to show the value of money spent on local WIA programs. On average, the "1D" program returned approximately $2.25 in wages for every $1.00 allocated for services to Dislocated Workers. The overall average wage return for the adult program was $0.88. David further explained that the difference in wages was primarily due to the many barriers this population (the economically disadvantaged) had in entering the workforce. This report was part of a statewide ROI effort, sponsored by the Illinois Workforce Partnership.

NEXT MEETING:
December 7, 2011 at 10:30AM at the Sunset Hills Country Club in Edwardsville.

ADJOURNMENT:
The meeting was adjourned at 9:19AM.