



Information Technology Career Pathway
Meeting Agenda
March 10, 2009

I. Introductions

Members present were as follows: Ben Moore from Portage Lakes Career Center; Larry Ray from SSC; Dave Richard from SSC; LaShawn Terrell from Akron Public Schools ABL; Cheri Rice, Region 9 OSB Co-Coordinator; Barbara Milliken, Region 9 OSB Co-Coordinator.

II. Pathway Goals and Objectives

A review of the pathway process and possible designs were discussed. Timelines were addressed. Information from discussions with the Office of Workforce Development was shared in regard to Regional trends and the need to assess the IT skill sets across sectors. A discussion ensued related to anticipating the incorporation of soft-skill training into all pathway development.

III. Review of Supporting Materials/Team Discussion on IT Needs

Several supporting documents were provided including PowerPoint entitled Building Career Pathways in IT and additional items obtained from the RTN partners. Team members reported several opportunities in the Region for IT specifically related to support and training, entrepreneurial ventures and start-up companies, internship and co-op needs, etc. A very dynamic conversation ensued.

IV. Asset Map Review and Team Assignment

An example of a basic asset map template based on data gathered from Lorain County Community College was given to the team for reference. Team members were encouraged to build upon this existing template in gathering data related to the Region 9 educational and training resources. They will submit their results to the Coordinators prior to the next meeting so that all data might be integrated for review in preparation for gap analysis.

V. Team Leader/Role

Dave Richard from Stark State College has assumed the role of team leader and will be facilitating the next meeting.

VI. Next Steps

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, April 7th at 3:00pm.

VII. Adjourn