



Information Technology Career Pathway Team  
Meeting Agenda  
April 21, 2009

- I. Welcome and Introductions – Members present: Larry Ray, Jennie Royer, Ben Moore, Cheri Rice, Barbara Milliken
- II. Asset Map Update – Dave – Asset Map passed out and reviewed.
  - Additions submitted by Ben and will be integrated into the map.
  - Jennie shared information regarding Tech Prep programs in Summit, Portage, Wayne, Medina, and other surrounding counties.
  - Access to articulation agreements as well as advancement of CT2 discussed.
  - Team members are working collaboratively with members of the Stackable Certificate initiative in order to create an Introduction to IT Careers module to be used by ABLÉ personnel. Jennie offered current Tech Prep curriculum for review and consideration.
  - The feasibility of using Dice.com for data collection was explored in order to capture needed job titles and skill sets. The team was in support of this suggestion. It will be a point of discussion in the RTN Steering Committee meeting scheduled for 4/22/09.
- III. Exploration of Regional Opportunities for “Quick Wins” – The team will be focusing on identifying immediate needs within the Region and will report back at the next meeting. A suggestion was made that local companies have a need for their employees to be trained to use Office 2007. It might be a way to bring employers to the table and to introduce the OSB initiative.
- IV. Grant Update – Larry – Optimistically anticipating positive results from grant application. Actively seeking corporate matching letters in support of the co-op/internship initiative. Further updates to follow.
- V. Next Steps
  - Employer Panel – Upcoming outreach opportunities exist as 80 students from 4 schools will be on campus on Friday, April 24th. The SSC IT Advisory Board will be meeting on May 12<sup>th</sup>. It was suggested that an adjunct from SSC who is associated with Robert Half IT Consulting Corp., may be a resource for the Team. Ben offered to share Portage Lakes Career Center’s list of advisory board members with the Team for consideration on the IT employer panel.

- As Region 9 moves forward with the IT sector, it was reiterated that the intended focus remains on “digital literacy” across all job titles through varied sectors.

VI. Adjourn – Next meeting scheduled for May 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm.