



# Governor's Commission on Disabilities Employment Committee Meeting Minutes

**Thursday June 28, 2007 9 – 10:30 AM**

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<b>Attendees:</b>	Pat Ryherd, Sandy Lupovitz, Paul Harden , Linda Milner, Vicki Ferrara		
<b>Excused:</b>	Author Plitt, Judi Drew, Bill Nieranowski		
<b>Absent:</b>	Dimity Peter, Jim Pitassi		
<b>----- Agenda Topics -----</b>			
<b>Call to Order and Acceptance of the Minutes</b>	<b>Pat Ryherd, Chairperson</b>	<b>5 min.</b>	
MOTION: To accept the minutes of the previous meeting as: unanimously accepted			
<b>Action Items:</b>	Discussion Leader:	Time:	
<b>1. Create a packet of information for career services personnel including benefits information, labor market information, skills, readiness, motivation, etc.</b>	<b>Pat Ryherd</b>	<b>30 min</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Committee will get information from colleges/universities career services departments regarding what they currently provide to students by July 31<sup>st</sup>. to avoid duplication of information. Vicki will get info from RIC.</li> <li>• Paul Harden will set up a meeting with CR and DLT/LMI.</li> <li>• Draft packet to be ready for the Employment Committee's August meeting.</li> <li>• A separate packet will be created for CCRI.</li> </ul>			
<b>2. Job Developers Training</b>	<b>Pat Ryherd</b>	<b>05 min</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training is still being worked on but due to time constraints of staff not completed.</li> <li>• Information to be obtained from employers to be included in this training.</li> </ul>			
<b>Update: NEADA</b>	<b>Chris Rancourt</b>	<b>15 min</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tour was provided of new location of Adaptive Environments. Universal Design principles were employed through out. 10 year lease.</li> <li>• Library has considerable resources on universal design and there will be a mini-conference on universal design on Nov. 14<sup>th</sup></li> </ul>			

- Paul Harrington of Northeastern University spoke on the research that he is conducting as part of the grant. Specifically looking at the skills, knowledges and abilities required to do high demand jobs.
- Leslie Beale, a professor at Springfield College, is an independent evaluator, hired by adaptive environments to ensure that all the affiliates have and are following a logic model. She will be coming with Oce to the Commission's Coalition meeting in November. The federal government is requiring logic models and they identify what the entity does, why it's done, how it's done, and the outcomes. Results must be shown or funding will not occur.

<b>Questions on Liason Reports</b>		<b>05 min.</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No liaison reports were provided</li> </ul>		
<b>Announcements and Scheduling of Meetings</b>	<b>Pat Ryherd</b>	<b>05 min.</b>
Next meeting will be on:	August 30th	Starting at: 9:00