



## FINAL MINUTES

STATE OF VERMONT  
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
STATE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

### MINUTES

Tuesday, May 19, 2015 Meeting

Sheraton Burlington Hotel & Conference Room, South Burlington

Members Present: Paul Biebel, Robert Bridges, Frank Cioffi, Diane Dalmasse, Dan DiBattista, Kent Eldridge, Tom Alderman for Rebecca Holcombe, Scott Giles, Don George, Gerry Ghazi, Joan Goldstein, Laurie Gunn, Eileen Illuzzi, Ellen Kahler, Representative Kathleen Keenan, Dennis LaBounty, Lawrence Moose Lampman, Mike Lane, Tom Longstreth, Pixie Loomis, Chris Loso, Chris Louras, Rose Lucenti, Steve Marsh, George Sabol, Secretary Pat Moulton, Senator Kevin Mullin, Commissioner Annie Noonan, Commissioner Andy Pallito, Jostein Solheim, Grant Spates, Chancellor Jeb Spaulding, Dean Stearns, Jerry Tarrant, Representative Tristan Toleno, and Allison Wollen. Attending on behalf of Board members: Scott Gibbs for Janette Bombardier, Amanda Beraldi for Brian Otley, and Connie Warren for Don George.

VDOL Staff Present: Commissioner Annie Noonan, Workforce Education and Training Coordinator Michele Kupersmith, Economic & Labor Market Information Assistant Chief Kevin Stapleton, and Assistant Jason Boss.

Michele Kupersmith began the meeting at 1:00 p.m. with a framework for the meeting.

Kevin Stapleton presented: "Employment in the Manufacturing and IT Sectors in Vermont".

Panel of Business representatives presented and focused the full Board discussion.

Panelists included: Dan DiBattista, GE Rutland; Scott Gibbs, IBM; Jerry Tarrant, MyWebGrocer; and Kent Eldridge, Mylan Corp.

Commissioner Annie Noonan gave an update on the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 (WIOA).

The meeting ended at 4:00 p.m.

A recording of the full meeting can be found at:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZzDOfbopfri&list=PLYV6NGVqglqi0RBki\\_RZmPYn Cv39vVaO4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZzDOfbopfri&list=PLYV6NGVqglqi0RBki_RZmPYn Cv39vVaO4)

Respectfully submitted,

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