

Resolution Number 03-12  
Vocational Technical Education Provider Group  
Ad Hoc Committee Status

WHEREAS, the Alaska Workforce Investment Board (AWIB) is a public organization accountable through its board members and staff to the citizens, the Legislature and the Governor of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, Alaska's national congressional delegation has identified the need to align investment of federal funding of the Alaska Regional Learning Centers with Alaska's strategic policies for a coordinated workforce development system; and

WHEREAS, the group named "Vocational Technical Education Providers" (VTEP), a statewide group of public and private vocational, technical and career providers and economic development professionals, has been meeting since 2002 and has defined its function through the development and signing of a MOU attached as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the AWIB, in partnership with Alaska's stakeholders, developed the Alaska's Future Workforce Strategic Policies (AFWSP) and Investment Blueprint (Blueprint) to guide Alaska's investment in vocational, technical and career education; and VTEP has committed to implementing the guiding principles and further refining the AFWSP and Blueprint; and

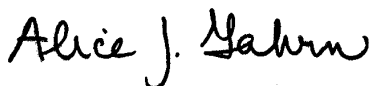
WHEREAS, VTEP is committed to responsiveness to Alaskan employers and fiscal sustainability of the workforce development system through programmatic excellence, exemplary professional ethics and equitable training opportunities for Alaskans, and recognizes that delivery of vocational, technical and career training and education is key in building Alaska's economy;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the working group called the Vocational Technical Education Providers group be established as an ad hoc subcommittee to the Workforce Readiness Committee with the goal to develop advisory recommendations for policy and strategic action for the AWIB to further align the workforce investment system and private and public technical and vocational education programs. An AWIB member will serve as liaison to the VTEP

#### CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that the Alaska Workforce Investment Board is comprised of 22 members, of whom 14, constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly and regularly called, noticed, convened and held this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 2003 and that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of 4 members, and opposed by 0 members, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Signed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 2003.



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Dr. Alice Galvin, Chair  
Alaska Workforce Investment Board

## Recommendations

In light of the fact that the Department of Labor and Workforce Development did see fit to underwrite facilitation and coordination of VTEP, and that this group has met the deliverables as defined in the Statewide Activities Grant, and that VTEP participants agree there is a need and benefit to continue the work they are doing in support of implementing the guiding principles and further refining "Alaska's Future Workforce Strategic Policies and Investment Blueprint" VTEP recommends that AWIB resource the ongoing work of this group..

1. In addition to ADOLWD staff support, VTEP recommends AWIB provide funding for the continued facilitation and strategic support of the following VTEP action agenda items:
  - a. Development of a statewide dual enrollment program and tech-prep program protocols and common standards for use by secondary and postsecondary educators. This protocol would include a definition of terms, guiding principles, practical steps to be taken for those schools wishing to establish dual enrollment programs and alignment of programs to high, rigorous academic standards and common industry recognized standards.
  - b. Identify a process to select valid existing assessment tests for basic and technical skills that can be used by schools and industry to measure academic and skill attainment, and provide recommendations for recognition and use."
2. VTEP recommends AWIB provide funding for a coordinator to assist VTEP with advocacy and outreach.
  - a. Establish a communications network
  - b. Support the VTEP group on deliverables
  - c. Develop advocacy and outreach and group expansion plan
3. VTEP recommends AWIB continue to focus ADOLWD staff on VTEP's action agenda to populate the provider component of the clearinghouse and have this information accessible on-line by August of 2003.