



MEETING NOTICE

The North Central Illinois Logistics Council will meet on Thursday, September 15, 2011, 8:00 a.m. at Illinois Valley Community College, **Room C-316**, Oglesby, IL.

Enclosed you will find the Agenda and materials for this meeting.

Should you have any questions regarding the North Central Illinois Logistics Council, please feel free to call Tim Robey at 815-220-3425, DeAnna Carlson 800-490-7441 or Pam Furlan at 815-224-7930.

Please RSVP your attendance to either Jo Ann Johnson with the Business Employment Skills Team at 815-224-7930 (joann_johnson@best-inc.org) or Christine Dahm with the North Central Illinois Council of Governments at 815-433-5830 (cdahm@ncicg.org) no later than Monday, September 12, 2011.

Thank you! Bring a friend!

North Central Illinois Logistics Council
Meeting Agenda
September 15, 2011

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Mission Statement

Create a professional, educational and informational logistics council, benefiting local businesses and communities.

Purposes

- To promote greater knowledge of logistics in the region among its logistic members and the general public
- To foster and promote cooperation among its members and exchange information, experience and ideas
- To educate all officials regarding challenges and the issues affecting different components of logistics
- To develop and promote an appreciation of the logistics profession as a career choice
- To teach and encourage “best practices” in logistics management
- To address the issues of a workplace ready labor pool
- To educate the future workforce regarding the skills needed for the logistics industry

Call to Order (Tim Robey)

Sponsor Welcome

Introductions

Presentation

Due to personal issues our scheduled presenter is unable to attend. Due to the short notice we were unable to secure another presenter. This month's meeting will be a business meeting to gather ideas to better our council.

Business Meeting

- ❖ Membership Recruitment
- ❖ Topics for Future Meetings
- ❖ Organizational Structure (time, location, meeting days)
- ❖ Warehousing & Distribution Certificate Program Update (Elaine Novak)
- ❖ Pilot Program Update (Pam Furlan)

Website Update (Kevin Lindeman)

- ❖ Logistic Company Job Opening Page

Open Discussion

Next NCILC Meetings

October 20, 2011: Tony Robbins Representative or Homeland Security/TSA
November 17, 2011: Company Tour (?)

Adjournment

Optional Networking

Bring a Friend!

**North Central Illinois Logistics Council
Steering Committee Meeting Minutes
September 6, 2011**

The NCILC Steering Committee meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m. by Tim Robey.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pam Furlan, Kevin Lindeman, Tim Robey, Dan Wilson, Boyd Palmer, Jeff Hettrick

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mike Reindl, DeAnna Carlson, Brian Beck, Wally Rakoczy, Tom Spelich, Mike Benik, Tom Iossi, Elaine Novak

OTHERS PRESENT: Jo Ann Johnson

Update on Pilot Project

Pam told members that she sent letters to the Regional Office of Education offices regarding the Pilot Project. Tim said that he would provide Pam with a different phone number for the NCILC materials.

Review Future Logistics Council Meetings

Tim stated that Tom Thornton is confirmed for the September meeting. He said that the last he heard was that Mike Reindl has not confirmed the Tony Robbins presenter for October. Tim said that he would contact Mike through email to see if the status has changed. Members agreed that if the Tony Robbins speaker was not confirmed that Kevin Lindeman has made contact with a presenter on Homeland Security/TSA.

Pam said that she has not made any further contacts regarding the tour in November. Tim said that he would send Tom Iossi and email about possibly touring JC Whitney in November.

Website Update

Kevin provided members with an overview of some of the changes to the NCILC website. He disseminated copies of the various web pages and asked members for their input. He said that he plans to link the power point presentations and video to the website. Kevin said that he will also post the minutes from previous meeting in a user friendly format. Members stated that the the website will provide information to a much wider group of individuals. Pam asked about putting a wage page for job openings in the logistics industry. Members discussed it as possibility and recommended it be brought up at the NCILC meeting next week.

Warehousing Program Update

In the absence of Elaine Novak, there was no update provided on the Warehousing Program.

Open Topics

Jeff Hettrick stated that he has heard from employers that potential employees are not able to pass a drug test. He asked if that was a concern in the area. Members concurred. Pam noted that when NCI Works did employer forums as part of their State of the Workforce report that was identified.

Boyd asked Jeff about the demographics of the Will County Logistics Council. Boyd stated that the NCILC programs are geared for a broader audience and not just the logistics industry. Jeff stated that Will County is experience some of the same issues. Jeff informed members that the Will County Logistics Council will be sponsoring a one-day conference in which they will address the core issues of logistics. He said that Will

County is also going into the local high schools promoting logistics as a career opportunity. Jeff said that the Will County Logistics Council is breaking up into targeted industries.

Discuss was held regarding the one day conference on September 20th. Jeff said that he would be attending the conference and will bring back information to the NCILC Steering Committee.

Jeff suggested that Pam contact John Grueling about the conference and the various topics that the Will County Logistics Council has discussed at their meetings.

Members then discussed the Accelerated Bachelor's Degree Program for Working Adults that is offered through Lincoln College. Members agreed that they would provide informational brochures to the NCILC membership.

Pam asked members for any suggestions regarding topics for next year.

Jeff Hettrick suggested hearing about internships for logistics companies. He said that internships are available in many businesses but perhaps some businesses may not know how to go about applying for an internship program. Pam commented that it could be a good fit with the warehousing program. Dan Wilson stated that DelMonte has interns which focus on specific projects. Members agreed that a presentation on internships would be beneficial to members. Pam will contact John Grueling for some possible information. Dan will provide the information about the intern program at DelMonte.

Kevin announced that the NCICG Golf Outing will be on September 8th.

Pam commented that the membership list should be updated in the near future.

Tim said that the next Steering Committee meeting will be October 10. He said that he would be at the September 15th NCILC Meeting.

Kevin asked members to email him about any changes to the web pages that he disseminated.

Adjournment

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Jo Ann Johnson

RESULTS Evaluation RESULTS
North Central Illinois Logistics Council
August 18, 2011

Did you like the program that was presented today? **11** Yes No

What did you like best about the program? **>Everything >Seeing how companies in very different industries become "green" >Very informative, diversified info >Real life solutions to energy savings "Timely for efforts @ airport (Marge Bevers) >Good ideas & infor by all 3 >Very interesting & good details shared >Applies to all types of businesses >Oak State Presentation >Great info >Great information.**

Your input is needed in determining future presentations. Please indicate which of the following you would like to see (check as many as apply):

1 Vendors **4** Employee Development **6** Best Practices **3** Green Energy Practices

4 Tours (please specify) _____

Speakers (please specify name and topic) **Per Marge Bevers – Ken Ryan, Cargo Dev. Director Greater Rockford Airport Auth. (kryan@rfd.com)**

Other (please specify) _____

Are there any changes or improvements you would suggest for our meetings? **2** Yes **4** No

If so, what? **>Put an estimated timeline for the meeting/projected end time >IVCC signage --- or brad crumbs!... (to this meeting room) from Marge Bevers >Tell presenters to stay within a time frame. Not fair to other presentations (City of LaSalle too long) and Basaly power point not readable by audience – poor.**

We would like to use some testimonials from our members when we market the NCILC. Please tell us why you attend the NCILC meeting, and what benefits you receive: **>Seeing & hearing the best practices of other firms/businesses/entities >This group always provides very informative presentations >To get relative info to my Brd >The networking is important >**

Would you be willing to share best practices at your company? **2** Yes No

Name: **Nicholas Vararis** – City of LaSalle Topic / Issue: **Workforce development**

Name: **Don Aleksy** – City of LaSalle Topic / Issue: **Joni Allison, Lincoln College as a speaking to discuss the 4 year degree. We did at City of LaSalle.**

Rating Scale:

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Above Average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Below Average</u>	<u>Poor</u>
<u>Overall Content</u>					
Degree to which your objectives and/or Expectations were met	5 8	4 4	3	2	1
Degree of usefulness in your job	5 6	4 4	3 2	2	1

Presentation

"Green Energy Panel">Per Marge Bevers: "Employee energy team will be delighted to get this info."

Sam McNeilly, City of LaSalle	5 10	4 1	3 1	2	1
Jeff Pickard, Oak States	5 11	4 1	3	2	1
Mike Alstadt, Basely, Cary & Alstadt Architects	5 8	4 3	3 2	2	1

Best Practice Presentations – Degree of usefulness to your job

None	5 2	4 3	3	2	1
<u>Meeting Facilities</u>	5 4	4 6	3 1	2	1