

Vision: Develop a collaborative regional environment that coordinates assets and implements strategies to grow businesses and create jobs in South Central Kansas

1. Welcome and Announcements (5 minutes): Keith Lawing

During July and August meetings, work teams will review their draft chapters, provide feedback, and brainstorm planning document format. Feedback on the scenarios will be received through “Community Conversations” and youth education and engagement. A September Work Team Congress event is being developed for information sharing across work teams. Team should approve minutes from April 22nd meeting.

2. Project Updates (5 minutes): Paula Downs

Community Survey: *The “Count Me In” survey was distributed to 30,000 randomly selected citizens across the 5-county region- we have received around 2,000 responses. Completed surveys continue to arrive, but analysis is in progress. The full survey is posted on the project website.*

Pilot Project: *Staff is working to better define the specifics of the pilot projects and will be working to implement the 6 projects suggested by each of the work teams through the end of the year. Specific details and timelines will be provided to work team members once they are defined.*

Best Practices Toolkit: *WSU continues to work on the toolkit and is scheduled to deliver a draft document late July/early August. This information will be printed in a stand-alone document and available as a resource to the region.*

3. Overview of Draft Chapter (15 minutes): Paula Downs

Paula will provide an overview of the draft chapter structure and how information was developed for the sections.

4. Chapter Review (1 Hour): Keith Lawing

The team will review the Workforce and Business Development “chapter” of the plan and over the next 2 meetings complete the following:

- *Confirm or refine the strategies*
- *Identify additional detail that would be useful to support recommendations, e.g. model ordinances, other community approaches, etc.*
- *Identify 5 -6 strategies/recommendations that are likely actionable in the next 1 -3 years*
- *Give general feedback on the organization of the information, keeping in mind this is a “text” draft: specific data, visuals, charts, etc. will be added to “tell the workforce and business development story”.*

5. Next Steps (5 minutes): Keith Lawing

- *Continue to review the draft and provide feedback by email over the next month*
- *August Meeting: The Team will review the workforce and business development chapter of the draft regional plan and provide changes/modifications.*
- *September-Work Team Congress Event will be schedule*

6. Questions/Comments/Adjourn: Keith Lawing