

ABILITY CONNECTION PROGRAM

BAC MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 28, 2007 - 7:30am – 9:00am
Lobby Conference Room – Goodwill Industries

Summary Statistics

June 2007

Active Participants: 22
TYD: 2
Internship Needed: 3
FT/PT Needing Placement: 4

Next Meeting Date

Thursday, July 26, 2007
Lobby Conference Room
7:30am – 9:00am

ACTION ITEMS:

1. **All BAC Members:** ITEMS NEEDED FOR PRIZE PACKAGES (\$15 to \$25 items in groups of four) used for the Wheels N' Heels Event on Thursday, July 19th. Contact Thayre Faust or Peggy Dooley
2. **All BAC Members:** Start to "talk up" the upcoming SPR Lunch N' Learn session for protégés on Friday, July 20th 11:30am – 1:30pm @ Goodwill. Mentors and DVR people are also welcome. Topic/Focus: Microsoft Accessibility features in ZP and Vista operating systems. Deanna Nguyen will contact the mentors to pass along the invitation.
3. **All BAC Members:** The date for the annual Protégé & Mentor recognition event has been established on Thursday, August 23 after work. Please reserve this date on your calendars.
4. **Peggy Dooley** will e-mail all protégés (current and new) regarding the July 20th event; will scan new protégé resumes and pass related information to Todd Nilson and Michael Reed; will pass a current list of participants looking for work to Cindy Cain and Lea Collins-Worachek.
5. **Jan Knutson** and **George Gormley** will begin work on the BAC 12-month "hire survey" possible inclusion in the Fall Forum/as a continued global hire and a target specific BAC snap shot. **Todd Nilson** will contact Dave Rice re: explore settling up the survey online.
6. **Lea Collins-Worachek** will join **Cincy Cain**, **Thayre Faust** and **Dave Rice** as members of the Wheels N' Heels team that will be racing at Festa Italiana.

Members in attendance: Rich Kolbe, Gil Atanasoff, Todd Nilson, Jan Knutson, Georgianne Gromley, Michael Reed, Dorothy Buckhanan (for Troy Norman), Thayre Faust, Cindy Cain, Lea Collins-Worachek, Deanna Nguyen (via the phone) and Peggy Dooley.

Meeting began at 7:37am with welcome and introductions by Rich Kolbe and special introduction of Peggy Dooley, as the new Ability Connection Coordinator, by Dorothy Buckhanan.

Mentoring Committee

Reported by Deanna Ngugen, Chair

- June 19th mentor/protégé mtg. was a success; featured speaker: George Blomgren of MilwaukeeJobs.com 7 proteges and 2 mentors in attendance
- SPR Lunch “ Learn session scheduled for Friday July 20th 11:30 am –1:30pm@Goodwill Proteges/mentors/DVR will be invited to the event
- Kohls/Goodwill “Dress for Success Event” protégé/mentor event in the planning stages. Possible: Kohl location, date not firm, possibly Sept? Give a-ways: gift certificates, to tie in with the Goodwill “Amazing Finds” marketing campaign

Resource Development Committee

Reported by Thayre Faust, Chair

- CONFIRMED: Protégé/Mentor Recognition Event : Thursday, August 23
This is a special event/evening as laptops and financial awards will be granted (undetermined amount between \$750 - \$1000). 9 protégés qualify.
- Wheels N’ Heels; 4 gift items jackets/shirts, but additional items are needed.
- Lea Collins-Worachek volunteered to round out the team
- Kathy Girard has been providing timely reports/updates to the resource committee

Recruitment Committee

Reported by Jan Knutson (for David Rice)

- During the week of June 25 – June 27 recruitment interviewed 7 new protégés with 2 needing to be re-scheduled., 2 in the pipeline
- Jan Knutson and George Gormley will begin to research and construct a sample BAC survey that will ultimately answer the question: during the last year what IT jobs have been filled in greater Milwaukee and examine how that relates to the global hiring picture
- Dave Rice will work with Peggy Dooley regarding a date for the next forum

Placement Committee

Reported by Todd Nilson, Chair

- Former protégé Steven Lapidus (placed @Manpower) will now mentor Arvin Pyawasay
- Placement success story: (feature for the next forum or recognition event?) Ms. Soik

DVR

Reported by Cindy Cain and Lea Collins-Worachek

- No longer a consumer waiting list
- One DVR office has moved from Layton Ave. to 2701 Chase Ave.
- There is a statewide restructuring re: job descriptions for DVR counselors – WI will serve as a model for change.

Meeting concluded at 8:45a.m.