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Grant Review Committee Meeting Minutes - January 26, 2018

Attendees: Bobbi-Jo Meuleman (called in), Melinda Smyser, Deni Hoehne (called in)

Staff: Wendi Secrist, Carmela Ramirez, Paige Nielebeck

Called to Order at 10:10

Welcome

Deni Hoehne has agreed to chair the committee moving forward

Review Agenda

- No changes to the agenda

Roll Call – We have met Quorum

Spudnik Application

- They are located in Blackfoot, Idaho with a total workforce of 275 employees
- Spudnik is requesting workforce development training funds to retrain 250 employees and train 20 new employees (registered apprentices) with an average wage of \$15.36/hr.
- Trainees will receive a variety of training opportunities from Idaho State University, outside vendors, and internal on-the-job training
 - 55 of the employees will receive CAD training for new software Spudnik is migrating to (Siemens NX).
 - Basic to advanced safety training courses affiliated with common manufacturing practices and operations
 - Basic to advanced production skills necessary for successful manufacturing operations
- They have 5 new apprenticeship programs including: machinists, welders, fabricators, painters, and assemblers
- Based on wages, types of jobs, and anticipated vendor, curriculum, and SOJT for training, this project could qualify for up to \$2,500 per employee, or \$675,000.00.
- The company is asking to be funded \$158,271.25, averaging \$586.19 per employee

Questions/Discussion:

How long is the grant supposed to go?

- 2 years

Will the apprentice positions get the CAD training?

- We know that the machinists and assemblers will at a minimum.

Who is providing the safety training?

- It is provided internally and combines the required production/safety, hazard awareness, fork lift operations, emergency action plans, machining guarding, electrical safety basics, hydraulic basics, and many others. Their internal trainer is the safety coordinator.

Melinda Smyser made a motion to recommend the approval of the Spudnik application. Bobbi-Jo Meuleman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 10:22