

Global Business Development Center Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes

September 10, 2008, 4:00p.m.

Present: Vilma Dominguez, Joe Walenciak, Tim Cornelius, John Tuthill,
Emily Douglas, Dan Hendrix, Dan Sanker, Brad Kleindl, Donna Wood,
Alex Joseph

Donna Wood opened the meeting at 4:00pm. She introduced each committee member and thanked them for coming to the meeting.

Dan Sanker informed the committee of his work with the Green Valley Network; a non-profit coalition that fosters collaboration and commercialization of sustainability technology based in Northwest Arkansas/Southern Missouri. It is propelled by the large amount of agri-business in the area, the highest concentration of plant scientists and research in the world, and by Wal-Mart.

Dr. Wood gave an overview of contacts at NorthWest Arkansas Community College, covering those in the College Cabinet & Administration to the faculty and staff of the Business & Computer Information Division. The plans for the new building were presented to the committee with the appropriate updates and changes being noted.

Dr. Wood gave an overview of each institute in the center and discussed their vision, mission, and values.

E-conference capabilities and RFID possibilities

Dr. Wood will be attending a DACUM (Developing A CurriculUM) conference in order to develop the Sustainability institute's curriculum.

Tim Cornelius announced the hiring of three new full-time faculty members in the Business & Computer Information Division and the growth this semester. SIFE teams, Governors Cup, Entrepreneurship partnerships, record enrollment.

Dr. Wood asked the committee members for feedback and then dismissed the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Alex Joseph
September 12, 2008