



Thursday, December 16, 2004
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Central Valley Business Incubator
2555 Clovis Avenue, Clovis, California 93612

MINUTES

Welcome and Self-Introductions The meeting was called to order by Chairman Claude Laval at 9:00 a.m. Self-introductions were made.

Presentation by Charles Morehouse, Hewlett-Packard Charles Morehouse, Laboratory Director for Hewlett-Packard gave a presentation as an information gathering tool to offer technology to agriculture and water cluster group through the usage of micro-electro mechanical systems and polymer electronics. Please see the ICWT website at www.waterflowtech.net for a copy of the presentation.

Presentation by Steve White, City of Clovis Steve White, a City Engineer for the City of Clovis, discussed the advanced sewage treatment and Water Reclamation Facility.

- The advanced sewage treatment project started three (3) years ago to assist with our current water shortage and to assist with the new housing growth in the southeast, northeast and northwest areas that are currently under construction or will be within the next couple of years.
- Public unaware of water shortage. Need to assess people awareness will be addressed through notices in utility bills and California State University, Fresno and schools will have pamphlets/brochures available. John Lovejoy, Construction Manager for the City of Clovis is handling this.
- City of Clovis has information available on their website for the status of the project. Website address: www.ci.clovis.ca.us Click on "City Services" and "Engineering" from there.

Committee Reports

Industry Advocacy Committee. (Jolene Polyack, Laura Ramos, Kathe McCall, Dan Clawson, David Zoldoske, Kate Norum and Mandy Littlejohn) Jolene Polyack commented on the activities of the committee.

- Upcoming conference. Promotion of show on international level. Meeting will be held in January 2005 to decide who will be approached to be sponsors and dates.

- Upcoming events. A handout of upcoming Spring 2005 events was distributed. Contact Laura Ramos at 278-2066 or email to lramos@csufresno.edu to RSVP or for further information.

Please email an ICWT representative if you have any ideas for consideration.

Workforce Committee. Kathe McCall presented the latest activities of the Workforce Committee. Manjit Atwal was absent.

- A meeting was to be held on December 16, 2004 at 3:00 p.m. at the Lyles Center.
- Job analysis has been completed. Contact Tamar for job referrals.
- CIMT will host the 2nd Career Expo on March 17, 2005. It will be held in conjunction with the ICWT Industry Members Meeting.
- A supervisor training workshop will be held on February 10, 2005 at the Central Valley Business Incubator. Notify Manjit or Kathe if you wish to combine the Supervisor Training workshop with the upcoming Industry Members meeting.
- State Center Community College District, Pelco and Adcol are currently looking for company tours for the spring semester for students
- Internship Placement begins in February/March 2005.

Building Progress and Other ICWT Announcements

- The two buildings were down in three (3) days (pictures were shown). The concrete and rubber are separated. Construction is set to start in January 2005.
- Videoconference – Currently looking into what country to begin marketing. Please provide input.
- The first technology transfer videoconference set for January 20, 2005. A flyer was distributed. Kansas State to give a presentation. Please talk with Kansas State for further pushing on these patents.
- Contact Laura Ramos or Dan Clawson for more info.

ICWT Brochure

- Brochures have been completed and were distributed at the meeting.
- There are currently 5,000 available.

Regional Job Initiative (RJI) Meeting Updates (Dan Clawson)

- Since April 13, 2001, eight (8) clusters have grown from the RJI.
- The Annual RJI Meeting on January 27, 2005 will report on each cluster.
- Still need a big push for the federalization of 99 & I 99. Fresno one of the biggest cities in California with no interstate highway connection.
- www.stopfakes.gov new website for US Embassy and US Dept of Commerce.

Grant Applications/Award and Requests for Support (David Zoldoske)

- Water Conference. Held in early December. Water to remain in river. Lots of political force to detect and keep water resources here (local).
- Jim Costa stated he would like to start working towards developing a regional water plan within the next two (2) years. Fresno State to lead.
- Great opportunity for water cluster for action in China to figure game plan.

- March 17th Career Expo – Both presentations appear exciting.
- ICWT will be housing solar activity in new testing center.

Requests for Agenda Items for Next Meeting.

- Please email an ICWT representative if you have any ideas for upcoming meetings.
- June board meeting to be held at ICWT.
- Next meeting: March 17, 2005.

Adjournment. 11:00 a.m.