

Meeting Minutes

OFMJC Commissioner Meeting at OSU

19 Dec 2014

Commissioners in Attendance:

Campbell, Decker, Markovich, McDaniel, OConnell, Reno, Ryan, Smith, Wayt

Others in Attendance:

Andersh, Barlow, Ford, Kress

After a review of the agenda, the Chapter 1 leads (Andersh & Kress) gave an update on progress of their Chapter. They discussed the potential for attracting more AFRL and AFOSR business. They also talked about the potential to have Ohio schools offer courses for high school and college students on entrepreneurship and career options. They said they are working on getting Ohio to coalesce around certain technologies. They stated that models like Live Virtual Constructive Modeling using the backbone of the Ohio Research Net (ORNET) would be a good start. They are currently cataloguing helpful background documents as well as meeting with Universities across the state to capture strengths and weaknesses. In addition, they are looking at needs in neighbouring states that we can capitalize on in Ohio. They asked that the Commission staff add two documents to our sharepoint site (Global Vision and the National Military Strategy). The team mentioned that AFRL is very much focused on shortterm opportunities instead of longterm opportunities. They are interested in talking to people with fresh ideas and then collaborating with these ideas across the state.

The Chapter 2 lead (Ford) then gave an update on Chapter 2 progress. He mentioned they were doing a lot of research through multiple organizations working with Small Businesses across the state, like Dayton Defense. He also said they were looking at existing state and federal small business initiatives to see if there are any best practices we can use in this OFMJC strategy. He said they are trying to catalogue the small business opportunities into short, mid and long term opportunities for the state. He talked about a potential interface with FedBizOps that could highlight Ohio work to businesses across Ohio.

The Chapter 3 lead (Barlow) then gave an update on Chapter 3 progress. She talked about the team getting together and developing initiatives for the OFMJC strategy based upon lengthy research and best practices around the country. Mr Campbell mentioned the importance of working with federal agencies across the state while planning for the next generation of workforce across the state. He mentioned that NASA gains Department of Education funding for their Workforce efforts. She talked about the importance of internships to our state, in terms of keeping students locally especially in in-demand jobs. Colleen Ryan mentioned that we should look into the Leadership Oklahoma program to see if there anything there of use to Ohio.

The Commission talked about what should be included in Chapter 4 to include having every regional community (military affairs council) build their own strategy around federal installations. The Commissioners discussed that many of the regions don't really understand what they should be doing to protect and build their installations. They discussed that Chapter 4 should really be a executive summary of the CBD study with an extensive set of directions for regional councils.

The Commissioners then talked about what they want the report to look like. They said they want a 2 page executive summary, with a 50 page report broken into Chapters. The report should have 100 pages of Appendices attached for background material.

The Commissioners then talked about visiting each region to talk about what the Commission is trying to accomplish with the OFMJC strategy. They talked about who they want to invite (local elected officials, military installation leaders, industry leaders, local senators and congressmen, media). They said they would need a set of talking points, news release, powerpoint briefing, and a white paper to be sent to all regions in advance. They said they would like two Commissioners to be present at all visits who are not from the area visited. They came up with a series of questions to ask every region (e.g. how is your local council organized, how often do you meet, do you understand the state and federal budgeting process, do you work with other regions, what are the most pressing issues you're dealing with, do you have adequate services for Federal jobs, what do you expect from the Commission, what can the OFMJC strategy do for your region). The Commissioners asked that each council get the questions in advance so they can review all the documents and the Commission background before the meeting. The Commissioners want to be able to spend most of their time listening and not having to describe the purpose of the Commission. The Commissioners want a news release to come out of Columbus announcing their Regional Tour.

The Commissioners talked about how the Strategy should highlight and flag some under-advertised and underutilized programs across the state. In addition, it should highlight what we can do now and what we can exploit in the future. The report should be a tool for the regional committees. The Commission is not an answer to all regional problems across the state. The strategy should also help each region move forward with their local strategies. The Commissioners said they would like to capture minutes from each visit and share them with the other Commissioners before the next visits.