



THE BELOIT REPORT

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CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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7TH ANNUAL BUSINESS EDUCATION SUMMIT SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 22, 2013

Just a reminder that the Business Education Summit, which is jointly sponsored by the Greater Beloit Economic Development Corporation, the School District of Beloit, the Greater Beloit Chamber of Commerce, and Beloit College, will be held on Thursday, August 22, 2013 with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. Once again, the session will convene in the Eclipse Center located at 100 Eclipse Center, Beloit, WI. This is a unique opportunity for educators and business as well as government leaders in the community to interact and to share perspectives regarding the needs of public education. The sessions are held each year, just prior to the beginning of the next school session and have proved to be a valuable communication opportunity. If you have not already done so, please register for the Summit at www.greaterbeloitworks.com/BusEdSummit2013. See [attached](#) for more information.

BELOIT PUBLIC LIBRARY ADOPT-A-SHELF TRAINING SCHEDULED

The Beloit Public Library will hold training for "Adopt-A-Shelf" volunteers on Tuesday, September 17 from 3:30—5:30 p.m. in the Library meeting room, 605 Eclipse Blvd. Following training, volunteers may "adopt" a section of library shelves to help keep the books in order, straightened, and dusted. Volunteers are asked to commit to monthly visits for at least one year. Volunteers have assisted at the Library for many years to help maintain excellent services, while holding down costs for taxpayers. If you would like more information, please contact Vicki Hahn, Public Services Librarian at 364-5756.

CITY AND SCHOOL DISTRICT EMBARK UPON ANOTHER COLLABORATION

At the Board of Education meeting held on August 13, 2013, the Board voted unanimously to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City for purposes of providing solid waste collection and recycling services to the School District. That same Intergovernmental Agreement will be on the City Council's agenda on Monday, August 19, 2013 for consideration. Following the general section of the Beloit Report, the descriptive information regarding the City Council agenda provides more information about the benefits, not only to the School District and the City, but to the taxpayers in the community as a result of this additional collaboration.

2014 BUDGET UPDATE

The City's Budget Preparation Committee will be getting together again next week, hopefully to do final reviews on the various components of the 2014 proposed operating budget.

The State will be releasing numbers this week regarding the many significant earnings and assessment changes for the coming year. Once again, we already know that most of the funds are in or near balance and we hope to be reviewing primarily balanced funds and accounts at this session. A great deal of work remains before the complete budget document is finalized and that work will continue through the month of September.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING - MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2013

The City Council will hold a **workshop at 6:30 p.m.** in the City Manager's Conference Room, on Monday, August 19, 2013 for the purpose of reviewing the agenda of the regular 7:00 p.m. City Council meeting.

The **attached** agenda is for the **Monday, August 19, 2013** regular City Council meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Forum.

3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. The City will be presenting **Certificates of Appreciation** to the graduates of the "Landlord and the Law Workshops Series." These training seminars are jointly sponsored by the Beloit Property Manager's Association and the City of Beloit.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. Resolution authorizing a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow a Residential Care Apartment Complex in an Office District along Cranston Road on a property addressed at 2157 Schuster Drive. This is the senior housing complex which was scheduled for construction this year but ended up taking longer to go through the plan approval process with the State than originally anticipated. The owners Conditional Use Permit expired and they must again receive Council authorization to proceed with their project. The Plan Commission recommended the project for approval.
- b. Resolution authorizing a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow indoor alcohol sale, possession, and consumption in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 946 Wisconsin Avenue. This is for the restaurant La Fuente. Once again, the staff and Plan Commission have both examined this application and the Plan Commission recommended for approval.
- c. Resolution authorizing a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow a drive-in use, outdoor seating area, and sales, possession and consumption of alcohol in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 2777 Milwaukee Road. This property is near the intersection of Cranston Road and there will be a new restaurant and retail space constructed on this site. City staff and the Plan Commission have reviewed this application and the Plan Commission has voted to recommend approval.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of the **Minutes** from the Regular Meeting of August 5, 2013.
- b. Resolution approving a **Class "B" Beer and "Class C" Wine License** for the restaurant La Fuente, operating at 946 Wisconsin Avenue. This is the liquor application and will be authorized, assuming the above referenced Conditional Use Permit is approved by Council. The Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee has recommended for approval.
- c. Resolution approving **Change of Agent** for Wal-Mart Store located at 2785 Milwaukee Road. The Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee recommended for approval.
- d. Application for a **Planned Unit Development (PUD)** for the Woodman's Food Market location at 1877 Madison Road. This Conditional Use Permit is needed to relocate and reconstruct the automotive service station formerly located on the site and displaced by the latest warehouse construction project. This matter is being referred to the Plan Commission for their review and recommendation.

7. ORDINANCES

Three of the four proposed ordinances pertain to traffic schedule and directional modifications related to the school reconstruction project. All four of the Ordinances have been reviewed by the Traffic Review Committee and recommended for approval. As always with matters of this nature, the staff has included these on the agenda with a request for 2nd reading and approval, unless Councilors feel that any of the changes warrant additional delay.

- a. Proposed Ordinance to amend **Parking Vehicles on the Near Side of Highways Adjacent to Schoolhouses** for a number of locations around the City. This Ordinance is in relation to the rebuilding of the school facilities and the changes are needed to accommodate changes in access and parking at the new school sites. These modifications have been carefully reviewed by the City's Engineering staff, as well as School District staff, and have further been reviewed and recommended for approval by the City's Traffic Review Committee.
- b. Proposed Ordinance to **Remove Loading Zone Designations** along Poff Street and Townline Avenue near Converse School. Once again, these changes are related to school reconstruction and alterations in the configuration of the site. School staff, along with City Engineering staff, have reviewed the changes and the Traffic Review Committee has recommended for approval.
- c. Proposed Ordinance to **Remove 2-hour Parking Restrictions** in the Heritage View Parking Lot. These restrictions were initially placed, anticipating that primarily retail sales would occupy the bottom level of that facility. In reality, office uses now occupy the space and it is anticipated that a beauty spa will be occupying the balance of that space in the near future. The owner has requested that the 2-hour restriction be removed from the parking lot to better serve the businesses now located in the Heritage View building. Once again, these kind of parking restrictions are done at the request of local businesses and property owners. The Traffic Review Committee has reviewed this recommendation and recommended for approval.
- d. Proposed Ordinance **Changing the One-Way Travel Direction on Locust Street** between Eighth and Bluff. Once again, this is a change necessitated by site alterations needed as part of the school reconstruction program. This change has been reviewed by the City's Engineering Division with School District staff. The Traffic Review Committee has further reviewed and has recommended for approval.

8. APPOINTMENTS

We do have appointments that will be included on the agenda for Monday night's meeting.

11. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND CITY OFFICERS

- a. Resolution approving a **Water Tower and Ground Space Lease** with First National Bank and Trust Company for space on the water tower at 2875 Cranston Road. While it has taken some time to validate frequencies and locations to ensure that this antennae facility will operate appropriately to support First National Bank communication needs, this process has been concluded. A final location on the tower has been selected and the City is ready to move forward with this lease agreement. The Conditional Use Permit for a separate stand alone tower at the bank's Cranston Road facility has not been included on the agenda, since that can be withdrawn by the petitioner with a simple letter of request. Consequently, if Council authorizes the lease and location of the antennas on the tower, there will be no need to further consider a stand alone tower at the bank's facility.
- b. Resolution approving an **Intergovernmental Agreement** between the City and the School District of Beloit to provide solid waste and recycling services for the School District. There is a staff report and resolution attached that explains the value add if the City providing this service to the School District, which will save the District money. Recycling paper from the school system will be directly diverted to Beloit Box Board, which is our local vendor with a renewed contract approved by Council at the last meeting. This is also an opportunity for City staff to work directly with School District officials to try to expand the recycling program and improve diversion. The contract is set up for periodic reviews of volume to make price adjustments if the volume of trash and/or recyclables increases or decreases by more than 10%. The contract can also be terminated by either party with 90 days prior notice. Once again, this is an outcome of efforts undertaken by the City and other local jurisdictions to communicate and collaborate whenever possible to try to improve service delivery and reduce costs for local taxpayers. Not only will the School District be saving money directly from the contract price, but the additional sale of paper will also support the City's solid waste operations, keeping prices low for all Beloit residents.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR— AUGUST 19–23, 2013

Monday, August 19	6:30 p.m.	Agenda Review , City Manager's Conf. Room (All Councilors)
Monday, August 19	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting , Forum (All Councilors)
Tuesday, August 20	7:00 p.m.	Landmarks Commission , Forum (C. Haynes)
Wednesday, August 21	7:00 a.m.	Municipal Golf Committee , Krueger-Haskell Golf Course Clubhouse
Wednesday, August 21	4:00 p.m.	Municipal Library Board , 605 Eclipse Blvd.
Wednesday, August 21	4:30 p.m.	Community Development Authority Special Meeting, Forum (D. Luebke and J. Van De Bogart)
Wednesday, August 21	5:30 p.m.	Equal Opportunities/Human Relations Commission , Forum (C. Kincaid)
Wednesday, August 21	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission , Forum (C. Kincaid)

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

This is just a sample of events coming up in Beloit. A more complete listing is available on the Visit Beloit website:

www.visitbeloit.com

Beloit Public Library offers many events for youth, teens and adults. Please click [\[here\]](#) for more information.

Beloit Snappers season is underway! Please click [\[here\]](#) to view their website for game schedules, special promotions, and more.

Beloit Farmers Market every Saturday through October, 300 block of State Street, 400 block of East Grand Ave. and the Gantry Area. Produce, jams, honey, baked goods, fish, meet, flowers and more!

Fridays in the Park free Summer concert series every Friday through the end of August. Gantry Park in downtown Beloit, 11:30—1:30 p.m. Lunch available for purchase, \$6.

Friday, August 16 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. **Music and More at Harry's Place**, Riverside Park, Beloit. **Westside Andy**, sponsored by Doug Cash

Saturday, August 17 Noon—3:00 p.m. [Picnic and Health and Wellness Fair](#) for City of Beloit retirees, current employees and their immediate families. City Councilors have been invited.

Thursday, Aug. 22 8:30 a.m.—Noon **7th Annual Business Education Summit**, Eclipse Center
www.greaterbeloitworks.com/BusEdSummit2013

Friday, August 23 6:00 p.m. **Movie on the Big Lawn**, Riverside Park, Beloit. Activities and vendors at 6:00 p.m. with the movie, "The Lorax," starting at sundown (between 8:00 and 8:30 p.m.). Raindate is Saturday, August 24. FREE!

Tuesday, Sept. 17 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. **Beloit Public Library Adopt-A-Shelf Training** for volunteers. Beloit Public Library Meeting Room, 605 Eclipse Blvd. For more information, please contact Vicki Hahn, Public Services Librarian, 364-5756

Friday, Sept. 20 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. **Memory Screening at Grinnell Hall**. The Alzheimer's Support Center of Rock County will conduct FREE memory screening at Grinnell Hall, 631 Bluff Street. The professional and confidential memory screens take approximately 20 minutes.



PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Beloit City Council will hold a **Workshop** on Monday, August 19, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. in the 4th floor City Manager's Conference Room, City Hall, 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511. The purpose of the workshop is to review the agenda of the regular 7:00 p.m. City Council meeting.

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Larry N. Arft, City Manager

Dated: August 14, 2013
Rebecca Houseman LeMire
City Clerk
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**AGENDA
BELOIT CITY COUNCIL
100 State Street, Beloit WI 53511
City Hall Forum – 7:00 p.m.
Monday, August 19, 2013**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - a. **Certificates of Appreciation** for the Graduates of the “Landlord and the Law Workshops Series” (Spreitzer)
4. PUBLIC HEARINGS
 - a. Resolution authorizing a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow a Residential Care Apartment Complex in a C-1, Office District, for the property located at 2157 Schuster Drive (Christensen) Plan Commission recommendation for approval 4-0
 - b. Resolution authorizing a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow the indoor alcohol sale, possession, and consumption of Alcohol in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 946 Wisconsin Avenue (Christensen) Plan Commission recommendation for approval 4-0
 - c. Resolution authorizing a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow a drive-in use, an outdoor seating area, and sales, possession, and consumption of Alcohol in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 2777 Milwaukee Road (Christensen) Plan Commission recommendation for approval 4-0
5. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION
6. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered at this point on the agenda.

- a. Approval of the **Minutes** of the Regular Meeting of August 5, 2013 (LeMire)
- b. Resolution approving a **Class “B” Beer and “Class C” Wine License** for Jesus Garcia, d/b/a Restaurant La Fuente, 946 Wisconsin Avenue (LeMire) ABLCC recommendation for approval 5-0
- c. Resolution approving **Change of Agent** for Wal-Mart Stores East, LP, d/b/a Wal-Mart Supercenter #2532, located at 2785 Milwaukee Road, from Scott Greschner to Michael A. Lane, Jr. (LeMire) ABLCC recommendation for approval 5-0

- d. Application for a **Planned Unit Development (PUD)** – Master Land Use Plan for the property located at 1877 Madison Road (Woodman’s Food Markets, Inc.) (Christensen)
Refer to Plan Commission

7. ORDINANCES

- a. Proposed Ordinance to Repeal Part I of Section III and to Create Part J of Section III of the Index of Special Locations, Section 13.02 of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit, Relating to **Parking of Vehicles on the Near Side of Highways Adjacent to Schoolhouses** (Boysen)
Traffic Review Committee recommendation for approval 6-0
First Reading, suspend rules for Second Reading
- b. Proposed Ordinance to **Remove Loading Zone Designations** along Poff Street and Townline Avenue near Converse School (Boysen)
Traffic Review Committee recommendation for approval 6-0
First Reading, suspend rules for Second Reading
- c. Proposed Ordinance to **Remove 2-hour Parking Restrictions** in the Heritage View Parking Lot (Boysen) Traffic Review Committee recommendation for approval 6-0
First Reading, suspend rules for Second Reading
- d. Proposed Ordinance **Changing the One-Way Travel Direction on Locust Street** between Eighth Street and Bluff Street from Westbound to Eastbound (Boysen)
Traffic Review Committee recommendation for approval 5-0
First Reading, suspend rules for Second Reading

8. APPOINTMENTS

9. COUNCILOR ACTIVITIES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

10. CITY MANAGER’S PRESENTATION – none

11. REPORTS FROM BOARD AND CITY OFFICERS

- a. Resolution approving a **Water Tower and Ground Space Lease** with First National Bank and Trust Company for Space on the Water Tower Site at 2875 Cranston Road (Boysen)
- b. Resolution approving an **Intergovernmental Agreement** between the City of Beloit and the School District of Beloit for Solid Waste Services (Walsh)

12. ADJOURNMENT

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You can watch this meeting live on Charter PEG channel 98 or digital channel 992. Meetings are rebroadcast during the week of the Council meeting on Tuesday at 1:00 p.m., Thursday at 8:30 a.m. and Friday at 1:00 p.m.

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**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
BELOIT LANDMARKS COMMISSION
Tuesday, August 20, 2013, 7:00 PM
The Forum, 100 State Street**

1. Roll Call
2. Minutes of the June 18, 2013 Meeting
3. Public Comments
4. Marjorie Fizzell – Certificate of Appropriateness
COA-2013-26 Review and consideration of a Certificate of Appropriateness to replace the porch steps & landing for the property located at 622 Harrison Avenue.
5. Report on Staff-Approved Certificates of Appropriateness & Activities Since Last Meeting
6. Committee Reports
 - A. Education & Outreach Committee
 - B. Grant Writing Committee
 - C. Site Visit Committee
 - D. Historic District Sign Committee
7. Adjournment

*If you are unable to attend this meeting, notify the Planning Office at 364-6700 **no later than 4:00 PM the day before the meeting.***

Approved: Drew Pennington, Director of Planning & Building Services
August 15, 2013

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MUNICIPAL GOLF COMMITTEE

**Regular Meeting
Wednesday, August 21, 2013, 7:00a.m.
Krueger Haskell Golf Course Clubhouse
1611 Hackett St.
Beloit, WI 53511**

AGENDA

1. Approve minutes from the July 17, 2013 Meeting.
2. Citizen participation
3. Club Reports
4. Playday Report
5. Marketing
6. Manager of Golf Operations Report
 - June Revenue
 - Golf Course Inspection
7. Director's Report
8. Concessionaire report – Dennis Quinn
9. Comments by committee members

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For additional information to request this service, please contact the Parks Division at 364-2929, 2351 Springbrook Court, Beloit, WI, 53511

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beloit public library

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
Beloit Public Library Board of Trustees
Wednesday, August 21, 2013 @ 4pm
Beloit Public Library Board Room
Beloit, WI 53511

1. Call to order and roll call
2. Approval of minutes of the July 17, 2013 Library Board meeting
3. Approval of minutes of the August 5, 2013 Personnel Committee meeting
4. Approval of minutes of the August 16, 2013 Budget Committee meeting
5. Public comment
6. Library Director Report
7. Reports
 - a. Foundation
 - b. FABL
 - c. Arrowhead Library System
 - d. Budget Committee
 - e. Strategic Plan Committee
 - f. Personnel Committee
8. Action Items
 - a. Change to Library schedule for Youth movie night – September 27th.
 - b. Temporary change in replacement card fee
 - c. Senior Page Job Description
 - d. Pay Plan Policy
 - e. FMLA Policy
 - f. 2014 Budget
 - g. Monthly financial report and approval of library bills.
9. Trustee Comments
10. Motion to adjourn

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Next meeting: Wednesday, September 18, 2013

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MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
Community Development Authority
August 21, 2013 at 4:30 pm
The Forum
Beloit City Hall
100 State Street

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Citizen Participation
3. Review and Consideration of Resolution 2013-21, Approving an Underground Broadband and Telecommunications Services Utility Easement Agreement in the Broad Street Parking Lot (Christensen)
4. Adjournment [Return to page 4](#)

*If you are unable to attend this meeting, notify Julie Christensen at 364-6703 **no later than 12:00 PM the day of the meeting.***

Notice Mailed: August 16, 2013

Approved: Julie Christensen, Ex. Director

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MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
BELOIT EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES AND HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Wednesday, August 21, 2013 at 5:30 PM
The Forum, First Floor
Beloit City Hall, 100 State Street

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of the June 19, 2013 Meeting
3. Public Participation
4. Approval and Recommendation of Proposed name change from Equal Opportunity and Human Relations Commission (EOHRC) to the Equal Opportunity Commission (EOC)
5. Approval and Recommendation of EOHRC Bylaws
6. Final Report on Internship Fair Housing Activities
 - A. Fair Housing
 - B. CDBG
 - C. Planning
 - D. Code Inspection
7. Commissioner Comments and Upcoming Events
8. Next Meeting Date: October 16, 2013
9. Adjournment

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Notice Mailed: August 16, 2013

Approved: Teri Downing
EOHRC Staff Liaison

Please Call 364-6650 before 3:00 p.m. on Monday, August 19, 2013
if you are unable to attend.

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MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
Beloit City Plan Commission
Wednesday, August 21, 2013 at 7:00 PM
The Forum
Beloit City Hall, First Floor
100 State Street, Beloit

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
2. **Approval of the Minutes of the August 7, 2013 Meeting**
3. **Planned Unit Development – Woodman’s – 1877 Madison Road**
Public hearing, review and consideration of a Planned Unit Development Master Land Use Plan for the property located at 1877 Madison Road
4. **Certified Survey Map – 2157 Schuster Drive**
Review and consideration of a two-lot Certified Survey Map for the property located at 2157 Schuster Drive
5. **Status Report on Prior Plan Commission Items**
6. **Adjournment**

If you are unable to attend this meeting, please contact Gail Riddle in the Planning Office at 364-6700 **no later than 4:00 PM the day before the meeting.**

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Notice Mailed: August 16, 2013

Approved: Julie Christensen
Community Development Director

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Beloit Working on Wellness (WOW) Committee is sponsoring a **Picnic and Health and Wellness Fair** for City of Beloit retirees and current employees and their immediate families on Saturday, August 17, 2013, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Edwards Pavilion in Telfer Park, 2102 Cranston Road, Beloit, WI 53511. The City Council has been invited to attend, and a quorum may be present.

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ROUNDTABLE QUESTIONS

- 1) How has the workforce in the Beloit area changed over the years and how do those changes impact education and workforce training?
- 2) Based on your understanding of the 21st century job needs, what do you consider the essential competencies/skills needed by young job seekers entering the workforce today?
- 3) How can education, particularly in the secondary schools, be more effective in preparing young people for the world of work?
- 4) How can we strengthen the local talent pool of workers to match the needs of local and regional employers?
- 5) In what way can we help bridge the gap between Education and Business?
- 6) How can we better help students understand the vital connection between what they are learning and occupational application? What would bring that to life for them?
- 7) What trends in the world of work are we currently unprepared for? What actions should we take around these trends?
- 8) Are there other community linkages we should explore to better prepare our students for meaningful work in the future?

Workforce System Resources

Department of Labor www.doleta.gov

Workforce One www.workforce3one.org

Career Onestop www.careeronestop.org

Bureau of Labor Statistics www.bls.gov

Department of Commerce (DOC) www.doc.gov

Department of Education (DOE) www.doe.gov

Small Business Administration (SBA) www.sba.gov

“Workforce Development - Are You Ready?”



7th Annual Business Education Summit

August 22, 2013
Eclipse Center, Beloit

The Annual Business & Education Summit is a community-wide event with exciting collaboration of local leaders in both business and education. The Summit brings together key stakeholders to discuss the challenges that both employers and future employees will face in the 21st century. This is one of the steps in building a common vision for a Beloit in which current and future generations will find success and prosperity. The event provides a consistent forum where School District staff and the business community hear a common message about how to most effectively work together towards that vision. We hope you enjoy today's program!

AGENDA

- 8:30-9:00 a.m. Registration and Coffee
- 9:00-9:05 a.m. Welcome by Beloit City Manager Larry Arft and SDB Superintendent Steve McNeal
- 9:05-9:45 a.m. Keynote, Rebekah Kowalski
- 9:45-10:00 a.m. Inspire Rock County, James Otterstein
- 10:00-10:15 a.m. Youth Apprenticeship, Susan Dantuma
- 10:15-10:30 a.m. Work Today Program, Bob Borremans
- 10:30-10:45 a.m. Break
- 10:45-11:45 a.m. Roundtable Discussions
- 11:45-11:55 a.m. ... Business / Education Partnership Awards
- 11:55-Noon Gift baskets courtesy of Visit Beloit and SDB

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KEYNOTE

REBEKAH KOWALSKI



Rebekah Kowalski is the Vice President of ManpowerGroup's Global Strategic Workforce Consulting Practice. As the Principal Consultant for the practice globally, Rebekah focuses on helping clients understand the risks to business and economic growth strategies posed by workforce supply and demand forces, and partners with them to develop practical options for ensuring they have the right talent in the right place, at the right time, and at the right cost. Rebekah specializes in consulting and advising on how the convergence of government, education, employers, and individuals drives local and global market competitiveness. Prior to her current role, Rebekah spent nine years at the helm of Manpower's US and Global Solutions units and led the teams responsible for working with ManpowerGroup's most strategically significant clients. Rebekah led the project team responsible for the Be Bold 2 study in Wisconsin. She is a member of the Advisory Council of University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee's Center for the Study of the Workplace and a member of multiple research consortia.



Inspire Rock County is a web-based career and readiness platform. By leveraging career development tools, social media elements and workforce data into a seamless system (powered by Career Cruising), job creators, students, educators and parents can connect efficiently as well as effectively. www.inspirerockcounty.org

The Youth Apprenticeship program is part of a statewide school-to-work initiative designed specifically for high school students that integrates academic and technical instruction with paid, mentored work experience at a local jobsite. High school juniors and seniors that meet certain criteria are eligible to participate. The Rock County School-to-Work Partnership offers 43 career programs in ten career clusters. www.blackhawk.edu/HighSchoolConnection/YouthApprenticeship.aspx



The WTEA Work Today Employer Alliance (WTEA) is a talent-driven job training and skill matching link between employers with open jobs and local job candidates. This innovative program will be accomplished by recruiting employers with open jobs into an employment alliance, targeted identification of job candidates in the community capable of filling the job openings and work-based learning on specific job skills. For more information visit www.swwdb.org.