



VISIONEERING WICHITA

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College Mecca
April 3, 2007
7:30 a.m.
Self Help Network

AGENDA

I. Welcome and Self Introductions

II. Discussion of How to Effectively Position Our Region to Achieve a 21st Century Talent Advantage **Bryan Derreberry**

Driving necessity to take immediate, tangible and strategic actions to address our current and pending regional labor shortages

- A. Future U.S. labor availability and workforce education attainment levels impact on national prosperity and competitiveness
- B. Global trends link with comparable statistical predictions

Consideration questions

1. What are the necessary components of a 21st Century Community focused on assuring that it has sufficient talent to compete?
2. How should our region be organized to maximize our current/future talent assets and attract new talent?
3. What are our talent development priorities?
 - Immediate
 - Intermediate
 - Long-term
4. How can we effectively engage talent stakeholders in successfully examining this critical issue and effectively responding to it?
5. Next Steps/Action Area?

III. Education Gap Information

Greg Meissen

IV. Visioneering Update

Suzie Ahlstrand

CEO for Cities – May 25

Community Identity Survey Results

V. Adjournment



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II. EDUCATION FOUNDATION

VISION:

Before 2024 the Wichita MSA will:

Have a globally competitive educational system that encourages and supports life-long learning and contributes to the social, cultural and economic vitality of our diverse community.

B. Post-secondary Education

1. Create an awareness of the Wichita MSA as a college mecca and learning community. Increase the number of students in all area colleges and universities. Provide graduate level education with a world-class faculty and research facilities. Provide curriculum, programs and research that supports the Wichita MSA employer's high paying targeted job sectors. Increase research grants. Identify future technologies that can be developed in the Wichita MSA and provide the research and incubation for commercialization in the Wichita MSA.