

La Plata County Thrive! Living Wage Coalition

June 12, 2017 Coalition Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Steve Krest, Nancy Fisher, Ashley Merchant, Mike Freeman, Mike Rustad, Pat Rustad, Peter Tregillus, Kaitlin Fischer, Betty Schwartz-Bozeman, Kathy Hall, Darren White

A special welcome to Ashley Merchant and Mike Freeman. We are so pleased you joined us and look forward to seeing you soon and continuing to work together.

5:30 PM – 6:00 PM Introductions & Updates

Peter Tregillus presented “Our High-Cost, Low-Wage Economy: How Did We Get Here?” followed by discussion.

Kaitlin Fischer reported that the Employer Luncheon on May 11th was a great success. Twenty-three TERP Employers and potential TERP employers attended. They enjoyed a delicious meal and presentations by Ryan Lowe of the Ore House, Liz Ross of the SW Colorado Small Business Development Center, and Darla Malouff of Riverhouse Children’s Center.

6:00 PM – 6:30 PM Potluck Dinner

6:30 PM – 7:30 PM Committees

The Steering Committee met in the 1st floor conference room

The Thrive! Employer Recognition Program (TERP) Committee met on the 3rd floor to discuss and develop the Aspiring Living Wage Program.