

Weatherford Area Economic Development Foundation
Meeting Minutes
November 7, 2016
Lucille's Roadhouse- Exit 84/Airport Road– Weatherford, OK 73096

- **Call to Order** – Following the Welcome, invocation, and meal provided by the WAEDF and Lucille's Roadhouse, Chairman Mike Hixson called the meeting to order at 11:55 A.M.
- **Notice** - Notice of the meeting was posted at the Weatherford City Hall and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk at 2:00 P.M., October 31, 2016
- **Attendance** – Approximately 65 attended the special meeting and luncheon. Please see attached sign-in sheet for details.
- **Approval of Minutes** – Minutes from the meeting of 10.12.2016 were unanimously approved.
- **Presentation of Treasurer's Report** - The WAEDF financial information was prepared for members by Wes Magill, Treasurer
- **WAEDF Economic development update** - Chuck Dougherty welcomed all in attendance and recognized each special guest who attended. He also thanked the entire WAEDF Organization for their financial support and participation over the past year. Chuck reviewed the list of keynote speakers who presented at the WAEDF meetings over the past year, encouraged potential new members to attend our meetings, and welcomed them to become new members of the WAEDF. He expressed appreciation to the team at Lucille's who prepared the meal and meeting room. Chuck provided an abbreviated report on the various City and Economic Development priorities and opportunities, and then turned the program back to President Mike Hixson for introduction of the key note speakers and presentations.
- **Special Presentation – Oklahoma Lieutenant Governor – Todd Lamb**
The Lt. Governor provided updates on the economy of our State and some critical needs for 2017
 - A potential for a \$700 million budget shortfall is a real possibility for 2017
 - Commodity prices in energy and agriculture have the most significant impacts on the economy of OK and the Leadership of our State must seek diversification. The "E" Foundation is working on that objective and is a goal-driven, non-profit organization dedicated to creating actionable long-range strategic planning to grow Oklahoma's economy and improve quality of life. Focus areas include education, energy, efficiency, entrepreneurship, and exporting. More information is available at www.efoundation.org
 - 35 new House and 13 new Senate members are going to the State Capitol in 2017.
- **Special Presentation – Nic Bittle – Founder of Work Force Pro and Author**
Nic spoke on improving performance in the workplace and ways to accomplish that. He is the architect of the D.R.I.P Performance Improvement Process that helps to develop leaders to lead with impact and to have a greater degree of influence with those they serve. Some highlights of his presentation included:
 - A handshake is worth more than a signature.
 - Make investment in our youth today for a successful future
 - Making a difference in the workplace requires leadership and teamworkMore information regarding Nic Bittle and his work can be found at www.nicbittle.com
- **Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by Gary Mol

Secretary