

Keweenaw Alliance Breakfast

Meeting Notes

April 17, 2019

Finnish American Heritage Center

Breakfast Sponsored by the

Michigan Tech Employees Federal Credit Union

Name	Organization	Name	Organization
Allan Baker	Allan's Realty	Jay Ruohonen	Superior National Bank
Amy Baranek	Eisenhower Center	Jean Hardy	UMich/101 Quincy
Andrew Ranville	Rabbit Island	Jeff Ratcliffe	KEDA
Brad Barnett	Apple Blossom	Jerry Paffendorf	Loveland Technologies
	Mercantile/Chamber	John Haeussler	City of Hancock
Brian Donnelly	SNB/Chamber	Karin Van Dyke	FinnU/Chamber
Carrie Richards	Michigan	Karyn Olsson	Invest UP
	Tech/Chamber	Kevin Manninen	Finlandia University
Chelsea Goodreau	MTEC SmartZone	Kyle Niemi	Houghton Community
Chris Neilsen	CHN Surveying		Broadcasting
Curt Burroughs	Farm Bureau –	Lisa Ruelle	MTEFCU
	Acciaccia Agency	Lorraine Mussatti	Wakefield Chamber
Dan Jamison	MTEC SmartZone	Mark Garski	Wakefield Chamber
Dar Gronevelt	SBDC	Mark Johnson	Gartners Gallery
Marty Fittante	Invest UP	Mark Rudnicki	Michigan Tech/MIFBI
Dave Vlahos	Superior National Bank	Mary Myers	TV6 Fox UP/Chamber
David Rautiola	MTEFCU	Jamie Thyrlion	River Valley Bank
Debb Brunell	Michigan Works	Mary Sears	Franklin Township
Devin Leonarduzzi	SmartCreative	Mike Hauswirth	Superior National Bank
Doreen Kramer	Houghton School	Patrick Visser	MTEC SmartZone
Eric Coon	MTEFCU	Pete Mackin	Evergreen Technology
Eric Ollis	Lexul	Ron Kilpela	Eisenhower Center
Eric Waara	City of Houghton	Sam Stonelake	KEDA
George Stockero	CCISD	Savannah Doughtry	Michigan Works
Glen Simula	GS Engineering	Scott Niska	SmartCreative
Glenda Bierman	Quincy Mine Hoist	Sean Connors	Michigan Works
Glenn Anderson	Houghton County	Stacy Hollenbeck	River Valley Bank
Gretchen Janssen	Re/Max Douglass	Steven Karpik	Osceola Township
Guy St. Germain	Consultant	Tara Arens	Keweenaw Chamber
Horst Schmidt	Associate Member	Theresea Colman-Kaiser	Michigan Tech
Jared Hyrkas	OHM Advisors	Tom Tikkanan	Houghton County

Meeting called to order by Brian Donnelly at 7:30 a.m.

- Welcomed members, new members, and guests
- Thanked the meeting sponsor: Michigan Tech Employees Federal Credit Union

New Members:

- Scott Niska and Devin Leonarduzzi with SmartCreative introduced themselves. SmartCreative is a full-service Creative Agency located in Downtown Houghton.
- Curt Burroughs with The Acciccia Agency – Farm Bureau Insurance introduced himself. The Acciccia Agency is located in the Portage Plaza in Houghton.

Guests:

- Jeff Paffendorf with Loveland Technologies recently moved to the area. Loveland Technologies is a mapping company, where you can look up property information online.
- Dar Gronevelt introduced two guest that were in town visiting the area - Lorraine Mussatti, and Mark Garski both with the Wakefield Chamber of Commerce.

Member Announcements:

- Dar Gronevelt with the SBDC gave a reminder about SBA Loan Applications are due in June.

Presentation: *Marty Fitantte, CEO, Invest UP*

Questions and answers followed the presentation.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Chamber Manager