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August, 2016 – September, 2016

Misc. Activities:

- Working with UWF on partnership with NWFMC and FLMakes on training opportunities (contract signed, specifics of contract being worked on)
- Press Release for above new partnership
- Website up dates
- Leadership Council to implement the second year of the CareerSource contract to ensure we are understanding the specific workforce skill needs – August 4 focus group held, info compiled and sent to FL Makes
- Quarterly RMA conference calls
- Coordinating with schools on various CAPE funding potentials for additional training we are offering
- Gathering data on students as they enter into year two
- Asking educators to implement Florida Ready to Work program and then to train the educators on the program
- Contacting individual members who have not yet paid their dues
- Working with schools to determine if SolidProfessor is a viable investment for the manufacturing programs - NOT
- Working with FGNW to benefit from their work on workforce development and the Regional Economic Plan for NWFL to be presented to the Triumph Committee
- Working with the University of Florida Innovation Institute on the development of My Florida Shines using NWFL manufacturing as the model
- Further work on county Career Pathways
- Audit questions – Done
- Beginning to schedule secondary manufacturing students to tour the four state colleges at their potential Career Pathway

Meetings/Events hosted by NWFMC:

- BOD Meeting September 19
- General Membership Meeting WaterColor - October
 - Venue
 - Food
 - Invitations
 - Prepping speakers
- General Membership Meeting at Eastman - January
- World of Possibilities
 - Working on sponsors
 - Working on finding interactive, fun demonstrations for approximately 2,500 middle schoolers in February
- Manufacturing Month
 - Manufacturing Kick Off – Working with FLMakes, Pensacola Chamber and OREN for a breakfast
 - 1,501 students currently scheduled for tours of manufacturing facilities in the October timeframe.

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Meetings/Events hosted by NWFMFC:

- BOD Meeting August 17
- General Membership Meeting at Ft Walton Machining. Final tally was just over 60 attendees July 20 (agenda, sponsorship, food, ppt, reminders, multiple speakers, working with committee chairs for program, etc.)
- August 4 am meeting to training manufacturing educators in Florida Ready to Work
- August 4 pm meeting with educators, educational institution administrators, manufacturers and CareerSource Organizations

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