



**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
September 8, 2022**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Moses Alvarez, Colorado Contractors Association
Dennis Atencio, Apex Transportation
Angela Atkinson, North Metro Denver Small Business Development Center
Peter Brissette, DMD Consulting
Larry Caschette, Metal Craft Industries
Amy Clement, United Power
Rachel Hoard, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Tricia Johnson, Front Range Community College
Mark Miller, Pipefitters Local 208
Janet Renden, FutureForward at Bollman
Erika Rodriguez, Colorado Laborers and Contractors Education & Training Fund
Maureen Rudy, MSU Adult Education

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

James Newby, CDLE

GUESTS

Britta Blodgett, CWDC
Rob Hanni, CDLE
Jeff Sidders, DVR

STAFF MEMBERS

Yvonne Castillo, WBC Coordinator/OSO
Jodie Kammerzell, Local Area Director/WBC Administrator
Greg McBoat, Administrative Analyst
Rita McGirr, WBC Manager
Joel Parriott, Supervisor
Sonia Rodriguez, WBC Manager

INTRODUCTIONS AND QUORUM

A quorum of members was present, and the meeting was called to order at 8:05 A.M. by WDB Chair, Amy Clement.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board members reviewed the minutes from May 12, 2022, meeting.

MOTION made to approve the May 12, 2022, meeting minutes and was seconded.

MOTION CARRIED. The minutes of the May 12, 2022, meeting was approved with no corrections.

BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Amy announced that Emily Atencio from Centura Health has resigned from her position and from the board. She has recommended Erika Manuel from Centura as her replacement. Erika has applied and staff are working with the commissioner's office to have her appointed to the WDB. Staff are working on recruiting someone from the Adams County Regional Economic Partnership.

REGIONAL AND LOCAL PLANS

Amy reported that the PY22 Regional and Local Plans have been approved by CDLE with no changes required. Jodie will be presenting them at the Public Hearing on September 20th for final approval by the BoCC.

HIGH PERFORMING BOARD APPLICATION

Staff member, Yvonne Castillo, reported that the High Performing Board (HPB) application has been submitted along with the Performance Incentive Funds End of Year Report. The board did meet all the required key performance indicators on the application, so we hope to receive the HPB designation again this year. Yvonne thanked board members for submitting information on the community and workforce activities they participated in throughout the year which are required to receive this designation.

SEPTEMBER WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT MONTH

Amy reported that the BoCC will do a proclamation declaring September as Workforce Development Awareness month at the Public Hearing on September 13th. Also, a flyer of the other activities that are planned for the month will be distributed.

PUBLIC WORKFORCE SYSTEM LEADERSHIP RETREAT

Board members Amy and Tricia provided an overview of the Public Workforce Leadership Retreat they attended on behalf of the board on July 25th and 26th. There were attendees from all the local workforce regions. During the retreat there were discussions about the changes that are expected for WIOA through the reauthorization. One of the changes includes the removal of barriers in order for youth to qualify for the WIOA Youth program.

The president from NAWB reported on the status of the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM). DOL was surprised at the number of comments that were submitted. They are working on cataloging all of them and are then required to respond to all comments. We do not expect to hear anything until January.

The retreat also included a discussion about the replacement of Connecting Colorado. Attendees were asked to submit features or functions that are needed by the local areas. These recommendations were collected by CDLE and will be used in the selecting process to choose a vendor to replace Connecting Colorado.

DASHBOARD

Greg reported on the new Wildly Important Goal (WIG) for the WBC which is to increase successful outcomes (obtaining employment, obtaining a credential, completing a work experience, or

maintaining employment based on the client's goals) from 557 in PY21 to 650 in PY22. This new goal is a 15% increase from the previous year. Adams County is the only workforce region who records and tracks this data. He also reported on the value of using the workforce center. Moving forward the dashboard will highlight different data in relation to the workforce center and workforce development. Board members discussed the continued challenges of the labor shortage employers are facing. Jodie provided a fiscal report. The financial reporting is still a challenge for the finance department as the WBC has 50 different cost centers which is the most complicated in the Human Services department. For PY21 we were able to spend everything that we needed to in order to meet the 70% expenditure requirement.

SUMMATION AND ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 A.M.