



San Benito County Workforce Development Board
Full WDB Meeting
1111 San Felipe Road, Suite 107 - Hollister, CA 95023
January 10, 2023 @ 3:00 P.M.
MINUTES

Chair, Richard Bianchi, called the meeting to order at 3:02 P.M.

I. Welcome, Introductions & Roll Call: Roll will be taken to determine excused absences for attendance requirements. Individuals who called in were excused by the chair.

Table with columns for 'Representing the Private Sector (PR)' and 'Representing the Public'. Rows list names and roles of attendees, with checkboxes for attendance status.

II. GENERAL INFORMATION:

- A. Public Comment Period: Scott Reese indicated that they were able to get some busses to assist with transportation for apprenticeship programs.
B. Guest Speaker: Nelson Leonor, EDD Manager gave a presentation on Unemployment Insurance Work Sharing Program.

III. CONSENT AGENDA: Items as a whole may be voted on. For any item the board wishes to discuss further, the board may request it to be pulled and placed in the Discussion/Action Items. M/S/C Kendra Bobsin/ Karen Para

- A. Fiscal Report: The WIOA expenditure report through November 2022 were enclosed for board information.
B. Layoff Aversion Services/Rapid Response Report/Business Services Report: The report for November & December 2022 was enclosed.
C. Labor Market/Unemployment and Economic Summary: The California Unemployment Report for December 2022 was provided.
D. Information Notices & Directives: Receive most recent Workforce Services Directives WSD22-06-WSD22-07, Information Notices WSIN22-18-WSIN22-24, and WIOA Waivers were



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enclosed.

E. **Meeting Minutes:**

1. **Full WDB:** The October 11, 2022 full WDB meeting minutes were approved.
2. **Executive Committee:** Received November 8, 2022, Ex Committee meeting minutes enclosed for board review information.

IV. **REGULAR AGENDA/ACTION ITEMS:**

- A. **Resolution for Remote Meetings:** The AB361 requires that a resolution be adopted every month to continue to allow teleconferenced meetings. Board members to discuss whether future meetings will continue via hybrid. Motion to accept the resolution for an additional 30 days. *M/S/C Kendra Bobsin/Lizz Sanchez Turner*. Members liked the idea of hybrid for now to keep attendance up. Would the board like to revisit each quarter for discussion on hybrid meeting. *M/S/C Nelson Leonor/ Scott Reese*
- B. **Policy & Procedure - Work Experience Policy (WEP):** After discussion the full WDB approved the WEP policy to increase the hourly rate to \$16.50 an hour effective January 21, 2023. *M/S/C Karen Para/Nelson Leonor*.
- C. **Board Membership:** Any applications received will be reviewed for appointment to the board. The current vacancies are: (1) Private Sector Representatives: (1) Small Business and Public Sector Representatives: (1) Labor Organizations; (1) Department of Rehabilitation.
 1. **Hope Services:** Kristi Alarid recommended Sara Grignon to fill this vacancy for the Public Sector. Staff has followed up with Ms. Grignon and indicated they have received no response.
- D. **WDB PY 21-24 Regional and Local Plan Update:** An update on the Regional and Local Workforce Development Plan two-year modification, that is due to the state on March 31, 2023, was given and the State Directive was provided for board information.
- E. **Grant Updates:** A report was given on the Prison to Employment (P2E) award in the amount of \$306,465.42 and the Regional Equity and Recovery Partnership (RERP) Grant received in the amount of \$1,150,000. San Benito County will be the lead agency on the P2E. Susan Sweeney spoke on the RERP and provided an update. There was another grant for youth that was brought up by EDD and staff did research it and found that there wasn't enough funding to be allocated to make it worth our while to apply for said funding.
- F. **WIOA Waivers:** On the direction of the board, staff submitted the OJT [Waiver of WIOA Section 134\(c\)\(3\)\(H\)\(i\)](#) request to the State and it was approved 11.18.2022. A copy was enclosed.
- G. **Committee Updates:** Committee List for FY 22/23 was enclosed.
 1. **Audit Committee:** Staff reported that the Fiscal Monitoring Report was enclosed and there were no findings.
 2. **Executive Committee:** Committee members will need to schedule a meeting to discuss next year's retreat and the strategic goals.
 3. **Business Services Committee (BSC):** Committee members will need to schedule a meeting to discuss strategic goals.
 4. **Youth Committee:** The next WDB Youth Committee meeting is scheduled for February 14, 2023 at 4pm following the Executive Committee meeting.
 5. **Membership Committee:** Committee members provided an update on recent recruitment efforts.

V. **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- A. **2023 Workforce Development Board meetings:** Enclosed was the meeting calendar for 2023.

- B. **2023 CWA Conferences:** Enclosed were the Save the Dates calendar for future conferences.
- C. **CWA Youth Symposium 2023:** Board Members, Scott Reese and Irene Guevara and Staff, Juanita Leanos will attend the 2023 Youth Symposium Virtual Conference from Jan. 24-26, 2023.
- D. **Homeless Hiring Tax Credit (HHTC):** Provided for WDB information was the Fact Sheet on the tax credit program for years beginning annuary 1, 2022 through December 31, 2026.
- E. **Comprehensive Community Economic Resilience Fund (CERF):** Staff provided an update on UPLIFT Central Coast Coalition securing a \$5 million planning grant for six-county region of SBC, Santa Cruz, Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Ventura.
- F. **#California for All Youth Job Corps:** Provided for board information was the Fact Sheet on this program to help underserved youth find employment.
- G. **Youth Apprenticeship Program:** Provided for board information was the Fact Sheet on the Senate Bill that will help create the California Youth Apprenticeship Program to complement and expand the number of registered apprenticeships programs serving youth ages 16-24.
- H. **Board Roster:** The updated WDB roster were enclosed. Staff will confirm term expiration date for Richard Bianchi of January 14, 2023. Reach out Hope Services & Dept of Rehab. If Hope is unable to join, staff will reach out to another organization servicing youth.

VI. ADJOURNMENT: *M/S/C Karen Para/Lizz Sanchez Turner 4:22 P.M.*

Executive Committee next meeting is scheduled for February 14, 2023, at 3 PM.