

**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS SERVICES COMMITTEE**

*“Pursuant to the Governor’s Executive Order N-29-20, the Committee meeting was held via teleconference and a publicly noticed location was provided for public observation and comment.”*

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2020 – 1:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**Attendance:**

<b>Members</b>	<b>Present</b>
Anita Tuckerman (Chair)	X
John Andrews	
Phil Cothran	X
Mike Gallo	
*Peggi Hazlett	X
*Audrey Mathews	
B.J. Patterson	X
William Sterling	X

*\*Public Members*

<b>Staff to WDB</b>	<b>Present</b>
Devra Bell	X
Sandy Harmsen	X

**OPENING**

- 1) **Chair called meeting to order** at 1:03 p.m.
- 2) **Introductions** – The Board Secretary took roll call attendance.
- 3) **Adoption of Agenda** – The Chair requested a motion to adopt the agenda. Peggi Hazlett motioned; Will Sterling seconded.

Pursuant to Government Code section 54953 (b)(2), a roll call vote was called as follows:

Anita Tuckerman, Chair: Aye  
John Andrews: Absent  
Phil Cothran: Aye  
Mike Gallo: Absent  
Peggi Hazlett: Aye  
Audrey Mathews: Absent  
B.J. Patterson: Aye  
Will Sterling: Aye

Without further comment or objection, motion carried by unanimous vote.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

- 4) **Approval of Minutes from the May 13, 2020 Economic Development and Business Resources (EDBR) Committee Meeting**

The Chair requested a motion to approve the minutes from the May 13, 2020 meeting. B.J. Patterson motioned; Phil Cothran seconded the motioned.

Pursuant to Government Code section 54953 (b)(2), a roll call vote was called as follows:

Anita Tuckerman, Chair: Aye  
John Andrews: Absent

Phil Cothran: Aye  
Mike Gallo: Absent  
Peggi Hazlett: Aye  
Audrey Mathews: Absent  
B.J. Patterson: Aye  
Will Sterling: Aye

Without further comment or objection, motion carried by unanimous vote.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**5) Comments from the General Public in Attendance** - No public comment cards were presented

## **WORKSHOP**

### **6) How to Best Assist Businesses**

Anita Tuckerman, Chair, began the workshop discussing the importance of collaborating with the various Chambers in the county, as the chamber executives can help promote business. Peggi Hazlett, who heads up the Greater Ontario Business Council, discussed creating a list of what services we can offer businesses and help build those relationships. She also discussed how the Ontario/Fontana Chambers came together on the legislative side, so they could become a stronger voice for our region. Ms. Tuckerman also led a discussion regarding industry group and supporting the High Desert Training Center. The members discussed identifying key business owners in our six industry sectors, to determine the skills sets required and work with the college to provide those courses. Additional topics discussed included future trainings and working with focus groups to obtain valuable information to meet the needs of the region.

## **INFORMATION**

### **7) Member Announcements**

The Chair asked if any members had announcements to provide to the Committee. Peggi Hazlett informed the members of a call with Paul Cook the following day and she could provide the access code to anyone able to participate.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Chair requested a motion to adjourn. Will Sterling motioned. Phil Cothran seconded. None opposed; motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2:28 p.m.

The next WDB Economic Development and Business Resource Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 23, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. and will be held via Zoom Conference.



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Devra Bell, WDB Secretary