# WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD SPECIAL POPULATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2022 - 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

#### MINUTES

## **Attendance:**

Members	Present
Jonathan Weldy	X
(Chair)	
Cinnamon Alvarez	X
*Stephani Congdon	X
*Russell Degnan	X
*Dan Flores	X
Lowell King	X
Scott Kuethen	X
*Yukiko Long	X
Louie Lopez	
*Clint Miller	
*Deborah Napier	X
*Pauline Pina	X
*Jessica Rodriguez	
Shannon Shannon	Χ
*Terrance Stone	Χ
*Linda Titus	Х

Staff to WDB	Present
Devra Bell	X
Brad Gates	Х
Mariann Johnson	X

## **OPENING**

- 1) Chair called meeting to order at 10:31 AM
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance Jonathan Weldy led the Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Introductions The Board Secretary took roll call attendance

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

4) Comments from the General Public in Attendance – No Public Comments

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

## 5) Approve Minutes from July 13, 2022, Special Populations Committee Meeting

The Chair called for a motion to approve the consent agenda. Lowell King motioned; Russell Degnan seconded the motion.

<sup>\*</sup>Public Members

#### **PRESENTATION**

#### 6) You Science Outcomes

Mariann Johnson led the presentation and provided outcomes, which included 143 invitations were sent and 88 individuals took the assessment. She reviewed data that was broken down by aptitude fit. A discussion ensued about the benefits of using these assessments for future career pathway projects.

## 7) Expungement Fair Outcomes.

Mariann Johnson noted they were unable to obtain updated outcomes, so the item will be pushed to the next meeting. Dan Flores said they had attended the same expungement fair and there were positive outcomes.

## **DISCUSSION**

## 8) Review Workplan for Special Populations Committee Goals

Mariann Johnson led the discussion. She reviewed the 2023 goals. As a result of a discussion at the retreat that was focused on equity, we now have a baseline report to review, so the committee can establish what resources can be utilized to meet the goals. The members discussed the data and how to best track trends and outcomes.

## REPORTS AND INFORMATION

#### 9) Data Report on Special Populations

Mariann Johnson reviewed data for Adult and Dislocated Worker, which was broken out by Employment Barrier (Levels of literacy; Ex-offenders, homeless individuals, Long-term unemployed >27 weeks; Low income individuals; Individuals with disabilities and Older individuals. This data covered PY20-21 and PY21-22 and reflected employment status/percentages, as well as the median earnings for these individuals.

## 10) County Report

Mariann Johnson provided the updates.

- Notice from EDD about new requirements (Stevens amendment) for all materials, which requires a federal funding disclosure. Website page is updated and active. We will update the funding when we get new or additional funding and will share with our providers.
- Grants: State, received Regional Equity Recovery Partnership grant (RERP) with community colleges. We have many projects through that \$1.2 million and we will be the lead. Contracts are being put into place and will start on 12/1/22.
- There will be a regional plan stakeholder meeting on 10/18 and they will be reviewing goals and suggestions. About 100 people signed up for the morning session and 50 for the afternoon sessions. Regional plan is due on 3/31/23. Will post for 30 days (beginning of Jan to beginning of Feb).
- The website refresh is now live. The information was standardized and has good information to share with businesses.
- Brad Gates and Curtis Compton are attending the Youth College and Career Fair with Supervisor Baca today.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair called for a motion to adjourn. Stephani Congdon motioned; Scott Kuethen seconded the motion. None opposed; Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:57 AM

The next WDB Special Populations meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 10:30 AM and will be held at the WDD Administration Office, 290 North D Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92415.

Devra Bell, WDB Secretary