



## WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD OF TULARE COUNTY

### MEETING

February 21, 2024, Minutes

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**WIB Directors Present:** Colby Wells – Chair, Joe Hallmeyer – Vice Chair, Randy Baerg - Treasurer/Secretary, Amy Shuklian, Brandon Lovenburg, Gil Aguilar, Jeff Hudson-Covolo, Robert Kleyn, Tricia Stever Blattler, Yolanda Valdez

**WIB Directors Absent:** Brent Calvin, Christina Garza, David Pena, Ronny Jungk

1. **Call to Order:** Colby Wells – Chair called the meeting to order at 7:32 a.m.
2. **Public Comment:** Colby Wells – Chair called for public comments; there were no public comments.
3. **Consent Items:**
  - a. Workforce Investment Board Meeting Minutes  
Approve January 10, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes.
  - b. Job Quality Framework for Tulare County  
Approve the Job Quality Framework for Tulare County.
  - c. Tulare County Office of Education Foundation/Southern California Edison STEM Incentives  
Approve an agreement with the Tulare County Office of Education Foundation in the amount of \$35,000 to provide STEM pathway students incentives for completion of an internship or project-based activity.

Motion was made by Joe Hallmeyer, second by Tricia Stever Blattler to approve the consent items; carried by unanimous vote.

#### 4. **Regular Items:**

- a. Incentive Pilot: High Road to Good Jobs and Prosperity (HRGJP) in the Central Valley  
Approve an agreement with the Fresno Economic Development Corporation to accept \$995,316 to administer the HRGJP project upon receipt of funds.

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Motion was made by Yolanda Valdez, second by Joe Hallmeyer to approve an agreement with Fresno Economic Development Corporation to accept \$995,316 to administer the HRGJP project upon receipt of funds, carried by unanimous vote.

b. Human-Centered Design Services Contractor and Funding

Approve an agreement with Middlestate for human-centered design services and funding up to \$80,000 for services over twelve months.

Motion was made by Gil Aguilar, second by Brandon Lovenburg to approve an agreement with Middlestate for human-centered design services and funding up to \$80,000 for services over twelve months., carried by unanimous vote.

**5. Information/Discussion Items:**

a. Tulare-Kings Healthcare Partnership Update

b. Workforce Data Newsletter – Volume 8. Issue 12 – December 2023

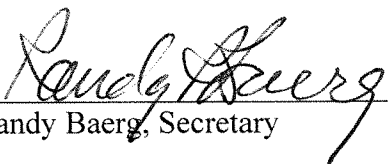
c. Tulare County Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) – December 2023

**6. WIB Committee Reports**

- WIB Employment Connection Committee
- WIB Program & Evaluation Committee

**7. Good of the Order/Adjourn:** There being no further business; the meeting was adjourned by Colby Wells – Chair at 8:36 a.m.

Minutes submitted for approval by Randy Baerg, Secretary.

  
Randy Baerg, Secretary

  
Date