



WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD OF TULARE COUNTY

MEETING

September 13, 2023, Minutes

WIB Directors Present: Joe Hallmeyer – Vice Chair, Randy Baerg - Treasurer/Secretary, Amy Shuklian, Brandon Lovenburg, Brent Calvin, Christina Garza, David Pena, Gil Aguilar, Robert Kleyn

WIB Directors Absent: Colby Wells – Chair, Ronny Jungk, Tricia Stever Blattler, Yolanda Valdez

1. **Call to Order:** Joe Hallmeyer – Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m.
2. **Public Comment:** Joe Hallmeyer – Vice Chair called for public comments; there were no public comments.
3. **Consent Items:**
 - a. Workforce Investment Board Meeting Minutes
Approve August 9, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes.
 - b. Appointment to the Workforce Investment Board Youth Committee
Approve the appointment of Margarita Luna, Deputy Chief Probation Officer, Tulare County Probation Department, to serve on the Youth Committee.
 - c. Employment Connection Partner Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), Infrastructure Funding Agreement (IFA) with America Works of California, Inc., and Nomination to the Employment Connection Committee
Approve:
 - i. An Employment Connection Partner MOU with America Works of California, Inc. and IFA to colocate staff at the Visalia Employment Connection.
 - ii. The nomination to the Employment Connection Committee of Nuvia Varela from America Works of California, Inc.
 - d. Participation Agreement for the Planning Phase of the Community Economic Resilience Fund (CERF) with Member of the Kings/Tulare Local High Road Transition Collaborative (HRTC)
Approve CERF Planning Phase participation agreement with Tulare Basin Watershed Network, a member of the Kings/Tulare Local HRTC, to support staff time and travel and in recognition of members' expertise.
 - e. PY 2023-2024 WIOA Title I Career Services Agreement #2462324 Allocation Revision to Incorporate Equity and Special Populations (ESP) Grant Funds
Approve PY 23-24 WIOA Title I Career Services allocation revision to agreement #2462324 by allocating \$107,700 ESP funds.

Motion was made by Gil Aguilar, second by Robert Kleyn to approve the consent items; carried by unanimous vote.

4. Regular Items:

a. WIB Ad-Hoc Officer Recommendations to the Board

Approve WIB Officer appointments of Colby Wells, Chair, Joe Hallmeyer, Vice Chair, and Randy Baerg, Treasurer/Secretary with term ending June 30, 2025. The Nominating Committee for the WIB, appointed by Colby Wells in accordance with the WIB By-Laws, met to discuss the upcoming vacant WIB positions. Joe Hallmeyer, Chair, Brent Calvin, and Ronny Jungk make up the committee. The Committee unanimously agreed to the recommendations.

Motion was made by Brent Calvin, second by David Pena to approve WIB Ad-Hoc Officer recommendations to the Board, carried by unanimous vote.

b. Appointment to the Workforce Investment Board of Tulare County Board of Directors

Recommend one appointment to the Workforce Investment Board of Tulare County Board of Directors in noted category, contingent upon Tulare County Board of Supervisors approval.

- Jeff Hudson-Covolo, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, FACHE, Vice President Patient Care Services & Chief Nurse Executive Founding GME Designated Institutional Official & Chief Academic Officer – Business (term expiration date June 30, 2026)

Motion was made by David Pena, second by Brent Calvin to approve appointment to the Workforce Investment Board of Tulare County Board of Directors, carried by unanimous vote.

5. Information/Discussion Items:

a. Jobs for the Future Virtual Presentation

Part of creating future readiness in workforce development boards is discovering a more empathetic organizational posture, centering the experience of people as they navigate the public workforce system. Jobs for the Future (JFF) launched the Workforce Transformation Corps (WTC) as part of its workforce transformation strategy, emphasizing community-driven approaches to innovative solutions that elevate equity in workforce ecosystems. The WTC aims to foster equitable change in the public workforce system by collaborating with future-focused workforce development boards committed to integrating human-centered design (HCD) principles into their services. The WTC utilizes a fellowship model where workforce development boards host and work collaboratively with a “workforce transformation fellow” trained in human-centered design thinking. Fellows work with workforce development board staff members to identify pain points, needs, and place-based considerations that inform a focused and strategic approach to more customer-centered services. Tulare County fellow, Tom Price, will highlight the work he has done in Tulare County.

b. 31st Annual Tulare County Job Fair

c. Innovators By Design

d. Tulare-Kings Healthcare Partnership Update

e. Workforce Data Newsletter – July 2023

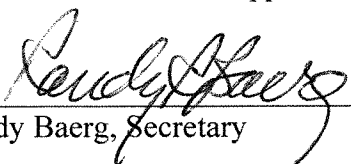
f. Tulare County Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) – July 2023

6. WIB Committee Reports

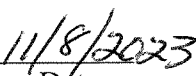
- WIB Employment Connection Committee Meeting
- WIB Program & Evaluation Committee Meeting

7. Good of the Order/Adjourn: There being no further business; the meeting was adjourned by Joe Hallmeyer – Vice Chair at 8:20 a.m.

Minutes submitted for approval by Randy Baerg, Secretary.



Randy Baerg, Secretary



Date