



WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD OF TULARE COUNTY

MEETING

December 10, 2025, Minutes

WIB Directors Present: Colby Wells – Chair, Joe Hallmeyer – Vice Chair, Randy Baerg – Treasurer/Secretary, Amy Shuklian, Brandon Lovenburg, Esbeydy Ruvalcaba, Gamaliel Aguilar, Jake Piland, Jeff Hudson-Covolo, Miguel Mora, Robert Kleyn, Rodney Wilson, Thomas Geiger

WIB Directors Absent: Brent Calvin, Tricia Stever Blattler, Yolanda Valdez

1. **Call to Order:** Colby Wells - Chair called the meeting to order at 7:33 a.m.
2. **Public Comment:** Bill Huott addressed the Board regarding his community outreach efforts focused on cleanup initiatives in Visalia and shared his motto, “Clean is Less Mean.”
3. **Swearing in of WIB Members**
4. **Success Story:** [Community Partner: Visalia Economic Development Corporation \(VEDC\)](#)
5. **Consent Items:**
 - a. Workforce Investment Board Meeting Minutes
Approve the November 12, 2025, WIB Meeting Minutes.
 - b. WIB Directive TUL 25-04 WIOA Title I Eligibility Technical Assistance Guide (TAG) Errata
Approve WIB Directive TUL 25-04 WIOA Title I Eligibility TAG Errata.
 - c. Program Year (PY) 2025-2026 Prison to Employment Grant (P2E)
 - i. Accept the no-cost extension agreement with San Joaquin County Employment & Economic Development Department through June 30, 2026.
 - ii. Modify PY 2025-2026 WIOA Title I Career Services Agreements for the P2E grant to incorporate a no-cost extension from December 31, 2025, to June 30, 2026, as follows:
 - a. Community Services Employment Training (CSET) for the West Region- Agreement #3812526
 - b. Proteus Inc. for the East Region- Agreement #3822526
 - d. 2023 Quality Jobs, Equity, Strategy and Training (QUEST) Disaster Recovery National Dislocated Worker Grant (DR NDWG)
 - i. Modify PY 2025-26 WIOA Title I Career Services Agreements listed below to increase

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the QUEST DR NDWG Occupational Skills Training (OST) performance goals from 22 to 42 and increase the training obligation through June 30, 2026:

- a. Community Services Employment Training (CSET) for the West Region-Visalia agreement #3812526 Appendix 6B
- b. Proteus Inc. for the East Region – Porterville agreement #3822526 Appendix 6A

Motion was made by Joe Hallmeyer, second by Robert Kleyn to approve the consent items, carried by unanimous vote.

6. Regular Items:

- a. Agreement with Foundation for California Community Colleges, Career Catalyst Program
Approve an agreement with the Foundation for California Community Colleges (FoundationCCC) to provide employer-of-record services for up to 23 participants in the MC3 Pre-Apprenticeship Project. The agreement is not-to-exceed \$213,787.76 and runs through August 31, 2026.

Motion was made by Jeff Hudson-Covolo, second by Joe Hallmeyer to approve an agreement with the FoundationCCC to provide employer-of-record services for up to 23 participants in the MC3 Pre-Apprenticeship Project, carried by unanimous vote.

7. Information/Discussion Items:

- a. Agreements Executed by WIB Interim Executive Director Between \$5,000-\$20,000
- b. Revisions to the WIB Bylaws
- c. Progress Update on Middlestate Partnership
- d. Tulare-Kings Industrial Partnership Update
- e. Tulare-Kings Ag Skills Partnership Update
- f. Tulare-Kings Healthcare Partnership Update
- g. Tulare County Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) Update

8. WIB Committee Reports

- a. WIB Employment Connection Committee

9. Good of the Order/Adjourn: There being no further business; the meeting was adjourned by Colby Wells, the Chair, at 8:26 a.m.

Minutes submitted for approval by Randy Baerg, Secretary.


Randy Baerg, Secretary


Date Approved

APPROVED BY
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD
MINUTES OF 01-14-2026