Minutes of the June 15, 2023 WDB Meeting

Members Present

1. Aida Rosa
2. Althea Salas
3. Carol Kim
4. Christina Bibler
5. Danene Brown
6. Jamie Gardner
7. Jeremy Vellon
8. Kevin Johnson
9. Kurling Robinson
10. Matt Martin
11. Nancy Smith-Taylor
12. Phil Blair (Via Zoom)
13. Rick Vaccari, Chair
14. Ricky Shabazz
15. Veronica Dela Rosa

Members Absent

1. Annie Taamilo
2. Brigette Browning
3. Brisa Johnson
4. Carmen Summers
5. Ed Hidalgo
6. Efrem Bycer
7. Jeffrey Noyes
8. Matt Doyle
9. Noemi “Mimi” Rosado
10. Risa Baron
11. Shandon Harbour

Staff Members Present

Carlynne Yu, Finance Controller

Claudia Huerta, VP of Business Engagement

Desiree Daugherty, VP of Customer Experience Marketing and Communications

Khaleda Atta, CPO

Parina Parikh, VP of Sector Initiatives

Shaina Gross, VP of Client Services

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Rick Vaccari at 8:10am without a quorum. A quorum met at 8:19am.

Non-Agenda Public Comment

None
Information Item

Item 7: Committees Formation and Committees Assignments Discussion

R. Vaccari outlined the subcommittees functions and responsibilities. R. Shabazz shared his experience on initiating the task force which led, after gathering and assessing data, to establish the DEI Committee. WDB members discussed forming a committee on veterans and military spouses. J. Gardner to take the lead and provide an overview at the next meeting on the new proposed committee and its goals.

Action Item

Item 1: Minutes of the May 18, 2023 Meeting

Motion: WDB approves the meeting minutes
Moved (R. Shabazz), Seconded (C. Kim), Carried Unanimously

Item 2: Foster Youth Subcontracts

S. Gross presented Foster Youth Subcontracts and recommended entering into contracts with Promises2Kids for $570,000 over two (2) years and San Diego Black Chamber of Commerce for $100,000 for one (1) year. WDB members discussed the providers selection process and the background of this service.

Motion: WDB approves the resolution.
Moved (C. Kim), Seconded (K. Robinson), Carried Unanimously

Item 3: EMS-Fire Pilot Pathways Subagreement Approval

P. Parikh presented and recommended entering into a subagreement with the San Diego Regional Innovation & Policy Center (SDRPIC) for $184,000 to conduct research and issue a report tied to Phase 1 of the EMS-Fire Pilot Pathways grant. WDB discussed the firefighter employment landscape, its diversity, and the need for a focus group and steering committee for this kind of research and project.

Motion: WDB approves the resolution.
Moved (K. Robinson), Seconded (C. Kim), Carried Unanimously
**Item 4:** Peer Support Specialist Training Provider Approval

P. Parikh presented and recommended entering into a contract with NAMI San Diego for $150,000/year for three (3) years and Futuro Health for $60,000/year for three (3) years to provide training and supportive services to program participants. WDB outlined the payrate and recruiting challenges for this field of work.

Motion: WDB approves the resolution.

Moved (J. Vellon), Seconded (N. Smith-Taylor), Carried Unanimously

**Item 5:** Metro Career Center Lease Renewal

S. Gross presented the proposal for entering into a new lease at the Metro Career Center. S. Gross also, mentioned, per a WIOA requirement, EDD must be located on the premise of at least one career center within the county. The Workforce Partnership is occupying 19% of the premise and co-located partners, including EDD, occupy the remainder of leased space. Lease negotiations included reducing the rent rate, five (5) months free rent and tenant improvement funds which leads to a $986,137 in total savings over 5 years, from the planned auto-renewal. WDB discussed the lease terms and commercial lease market condition.

Motion: WDB approves Workforce Partnership staff to sign a new lease.

Moved (V. Dela Rosa), Seconded (D. Brown), Carried Unanimously

**Item 6:** FY24 Proposed Budget

C. Yu and the executive team presented an overview of the Workforce Partnership FY24 budget expecting revenue of $36.5 million of which $28.3M Program Costs, $4.2M Direct Allocated Costs and $4M Indirect Costs. The FY24 budget includes a 14% overall increase from FY23. WDB discussed the proposed budget and WDB member, R. Shabazz, requested more clarifications such as yearly Balance Summery Sheet outlined starting and ending budget for each year. R. Vaccari requested a follow up email to be provided to answer all R. Shabazz’s questions.

Motion: WDB approves Workforce Partnership FY24 Proposed Budget.

Moved (K. Robinson), Seconded (J. Gardner), Motion carried, with R. Shabazz, C. Bibler abstained.
Information Item

Item 8: Recruitment Updates

R. Vaccari provided an update on the Interim CEO position, the permanent CEO position, and the RFP process for the search firm for the permanent CEO.

Adjournment

R. Vaccari adjourned the meeting at 9:27 am.