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**Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Core and Mandatory Partners Meeting**  
**April 19, 2017**  
**1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**  
**Keelikolani Building, 830 Punchbowl Street, Room 310**  
**Honolulu, Hawaii 96813**

**MINUTES**

**CORE PARTNERS' ATTENDEES:**

Albert Perez, DHS – Vocational Rehabilitation  
Susan Foard, DHS – Vocational Rehabilitation  
Debbie Miyao, DOE – Adult Education  
Helen Sanpei, DOE – Adult Education  
Elaine Young, Wagner-Peyser  
Carol Kanayama, Wagner-Peyser  
Allicyn Tasaka, Adult, Dislocated Worker and Youth Programs

**MANDATORY PARTNER'S ATTENDEES:**

Bernadette Howard, UH CTE  
Arthur Barba, DLIR – Unemployment Insurance  
Ann Greenlee, Vets  
Bridget Komine, Vets

**STATE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL ATTENDEES:**

Jayson Muraki, Workforce Development Council  
Kim Saito, Workforce Development Council  
Allicyn Tasaka, Workforce Development Council  
Doreen Miyaki, Workforce Development Council

- I. Call to Order  
The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m. by Allicyn Tasaka, Executive Director of the Workforce Development Council (WDC).
- II. Approval of Minutes:  
Motion to approve the March 22, 2017 meeting minutes was made by Bernadette Howard and seconded by Albert Perez. The motion was passed with 11 ayes. WDC staff are non-voting attendees.
- III. New Business
  - A. Introduction of new WDC staff member Doreen Miyaki as WIOA Specialist.

- B. Amendment to agenda – Winona Whitman had to go out of town so her presentation on Alu Like will be presented at the meeting in June. Albert Perez will do a presentation on Vocational Rehabilitation in place of Winona.
1. Bernadette Howard, State Director of UH Career and Technical Education (formerly Vocational Education) provided some background on the coverage of Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), Carl Perkins Act, and WIOA in the education process of the student. She emphasized the importance of community and employer involvement and the connections between secondary and post-secondary education. She explained how WIOA changed the Career Pathways System, the different programs that they are working on, and their budget that is divided between 43 high schools and 7 community colleges with 1% going to Department of Public Safety.
  2. Albert Perez, Administrator of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) provided information on the Vocational Rehabilitation program. DVR is basically an employment agency for persons with disabilities. Albert explained the requirements for eligibility into the program, the services they provide and the assessment plan they use to determine the client's needs. In anticipation of budget projections DVR will be implementing an "Order of Selection" plan effective July 2017. The Order of Selection would include the intake and eligibility determination, if the applicant is eligible then the applicant would be placed into one of three categories: most significantly disabled (MSD-1), significantly disabled (SD-2), or disabled (NSD-3), and finally a plan development is done.
  3. Ann Greenlee, Hawaii State Director for the Veterans' Employment and Training Service with the US Department of Labor presented an overview on Jobs for Veterans State Grant (JVSG). This is also an employment program. Ann explained the grant funding and the factors used in its calculation, the roles of Disabled Veteran Outreach Program Specialists (DVOPS)-and Local Veteran Employment Representative (LVER)s, and eligibility requirements under WIOA. There is no money for training. Veterans are referred to the Veterans Administration for training and additional services.

IV. Meeting Schedule

- A. May 24 at McKinley Community School for Adults, Conference Room 110. DOE-Adult Education and Wagner-Peyser presentations are scheduled
- B. June 14 at McKinley Community School for Adults, Conference Room 110. Alu Like presentation is scheduled.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:28 p.m.