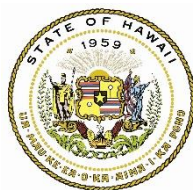


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Workforce Development Council’s Employer Engagement Committee Meeting
Thursday, November 14, 2019
10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.
Alii Place
1099 Alakea Street, 16th Floor Conference Room
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

MINUTES

ATTENDEES:

Glen Kaneshige, Committee Chair, Nordic PCL Construction, Inc.
Brian Tatsumura, Committee Vice-Chair, Briant 808 LLC
Judy Bishop, Bishop & Co.
Cheryl Cross, Booz Allen Hamilton
Lois Hamaguchi, UH-CTE
Deborah Leong-Yep, UHA
Paul Marx, Affordable Housing & Economic Development
Evan Nakatsuka, Lanakila Pacific
Erin Yagi, Hawaii P-20

STAFF:

Allicyn Tasaka, Executive Director
Jeanne Ohta, Special Projects Specialist
Kayla Rosenfeld, Statewide Rapid Response Coordinator
Keana Kaupiko, WDC VISTA Member

I. Call to Order.....Committee Co-Chair Glen Kaneshige

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Glen Kaneshige at 10:06 a.m.

II. Approval of Minutes for the October 16, 2019 Meeting

Judy Bishop made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2019 meeting.
Paul Marx seconded the motion. The motion was carried by unanimous vote.

III. Addressing People with Barriers to Employment

- A. Discussion to create Sub-Group to comply with federal mandates to serve target populations and connect with employers.
Evan Nakatsuka will lead the sub-group, which will include Alan Hayashi, Erin Yagi, Keala Peters and Brian Tatsumura.

IV. Report from the Pilot Project Sub-Committee

- A. Update on progress to help develop pilot project with FCH Enterprises to fill vacancies.
Members of the sub-committee met with the representatives of the American Job Center (AJC) and Zippy's on October 17, 2019. The AJC was prepared to offer Zippy's with at-risk youth and adult participants and would fund these participants for 90-days if Zippy's would provide the training. The AJC had a plan that included caseworkers who would connect with Zippy's to track and manage participants. Zippy's had some legal concerns about the participants being AJC employees and sharing of employee files. Although Zippy's is ready to provide job descriptions, counselors, and a posting on the website for the AJC applicant to be tracked, day-to-day training, locations, and managers for the project were not identified. The sub-committee asked for the information to be prepared by November 1, but no response has been received as of this meeting. If Zippy's decides this project is not right for them, the sub-committee may reach out to other businesses such as City Mill.

V. Report from the Outreach Task Force

- A. Update on proposed plan and budget for employer outreach and workforce branding.
Cheryl Cross will provide the scope of services needed for the RFP for the website and video to Allicyn Tasaka by November 30, 2019.

VI. Next Meeting Schedule

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 23, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. in the Nordic PCL Construction conference room.

The following meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, March 25, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. in the Nordic PCL Construction conference room.

VII. Announcements

None.

VIII. Adjournment

Committee Chair Kaneshige adjourned the meeting at 10:59 a.m.