SECTOR STRATEGIES AND CAREER PATHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, November 21, 2019
9:30 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.
Princess Ruth Keelikolani Building
830 Punchbowl Street, Conference Room 310
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

MINUTES

ATTENDEES:
Sunshine Topping, Committee Chair, Sector Strategies and Career Pathways Committee
Yvette Gibson, Committee Vice-Chair, Sector Strategies and Career Pathways Committee
Bernadette Howard, University of Hawaii – Career and Technical Education
Dina Yoshimi, University of Hawaii – Hawaii Language Roadmap Initiative
Faustino Dagdag, University of Hawaii – Leeward Community College
George Massengale, University of Hawaii – Kapiolani Community College
Helen Sanpei, Department of Education – McKinley School for Adults
Evan Nakatsuka, Lanakila Pacific

STAFF:
Allicyn Tasaka, Executive Director, Workforce Development Council
Jayson Muraki, Workforce Development Council

I. Call to Order …………………………………………………..Committee Chair, Sunshine Topping
The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Committee Chair Sunshine Topping.

II. Approval of Minutes
A. August 28, 2019 Meeting

A motion to approve the August 28, 2019 minutes was made by Yvette Gibson.
Faustino Dagdag seconded the motion. The motion to approve the minutes was approved unanimously.

III. Finalize Committee Roles and Responsibilities

Chair Topping asked the committee members to review the drafted roles and responsibilities for the Sector Strategies and Career Pathways committee. Upon review, George Massengale expressed support for the drafted roles and responsibilities, however,
wanted to amend and broaden the committee’s role to include “all special populations.”

A motion to approve the Sector Strategies and Career Pathways committee’s roles and responsibilities as amended was made by Bernadette Howard. Dina Yoshimi seconded the motion. The motion to approve the roles and responsibilities of the committee was approved unanimously.

IV. **Discussion on workforce industry panels for Hawaii Association for Career and Technical Education conference on January 30-31, 2020.**

The Sector Strategies and Career Pathways committee has donated $30,000 in sponsorship to the Hawaii Association for Career and Technical Education conference to be held on January 30-31, 2020. As a result, the committee has been provided the opportunity to host two panels at the conference, one panel on each day. Chair Topping asked the committee members for their input regarding panel topics, panelists and moderator. Questions from committee members arose whether there should be one in-depth topic to be covered for both days or whether there should be two different topics for each day.

There were various panel topic suggestions from the committee members. Allicyn Tasaka suggested a panel topic relating to bridging the construction and engineering industries and how individuals can continue into the engineering pathway from the trade sector. Faustino Dagdag proposed a panel topic could be on STEM education and its use to support the development of other pathways. Bernadette Howard mentioned work-based learning and how to work with employers as another potential panel topic. Yvette Gibson suggested a panel topic on career pathways that do not require a traditional four-year college degree. Yvette expressed that in the current business environment, individuals are able to work full-time now while still working towards an educational degree. Faustino added to the same notion that many individuals have numerous entry and exit points in their workforce career, kind of like in a “zig-zag” motion. Providing discussion on this topic to inform individuals that it is alright to move in this direction could be valuable. Chair Topping added that having panelists that have moved in this direction who have achieved success could be a very effective. Discussion shifted to various committee members suggesting panelists for this idea.

V. **Update on State Career and Technical Education (CTE)**

Bernadette Howard mentioned that the Hawaii Perkins V State Plan has been completed and would like to receive feedback from the committee members at the next meeting.

VI. **Update on Sector Partnerships**

There was no update on sector partnerships at the meeting.

VII. **Next Meeting**

A. Meetings will be held quarterly or as necessary
B. Dates to be determined by Chair
C. Future presentations: Keala Jones-Peters, Executive Director, Chamber of Commerce and Kelly Miyamura, P-20 Partnerships for Education

The committee agreed to schedule the next meeting at a later date.

VIII. Adjournment

Committee Chair Sunshine Topping adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.