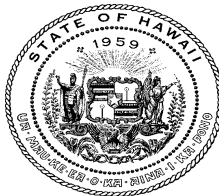


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**HAWAII WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
SECTOR STRATEGIES & CAREER PATHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING**

AGENDA

Date: Monday, May 11, 2026

Time: 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

In-Person Meeting Location: Princess Ruth Ke'elikolani Building
830 Punchbowl Street, Room 317
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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Vision Statement

The Workforce Development Council’s vision is that all employers have competitively skilled employees and all residents seeking work or advancement have sustainable employment and self-sufficiency.

Mission Statement

It is the intent of the Workforce Development Council to support and guide the implementation of the Unified State Plan through active collaboration and regional sensitivity for the purpose of aligning, coordinating, and integrating workforce services to meet the needs of employers and residents in order to foster a robust economy.

- I. Call to Order - Committee Chair Cary Miyashiro
- II. Approval of Minutes of April 13, 2026, Sector Strategies & Career Pathways Committee Meeting
- III. Presentations
 - A. Academy for Healthcare Innovation (AHI)
 - a. AHI Program
 - b. How can it support Health Academy programs in high school.
 - c. Resources available.
 - B. Pacific Asian Affairs Council (PAAC)
 - a. What is PAAC? What is its vision and mission?
 - b. Who does it serve? Who are its partners?
 - c. How it adds to or can add to Hawai'i's workforce?
- IV. Mission, vision, roles, and responsibilities of the Sector Strategies and Career Pathways Committee
 - A. Discussions of goals for the committee and current year
 - B. Discuss and change name of committee to reflect goals and targeted scope
- V. Executive Directors Report
 - A. Projects/ Activities

The Executive Director will report on the First Quarter Activities.

 - Recap of the First Hawaii Internship Summit, which was held on March 4, 2026
 - Recap of the Internship Excellence Awards, which were presented on March 4, 2026
 - Recap of the Modified State Unified Plan, which was approved on April 2, 2026
 - Implementation of the Modified State Unified Plan
 - Webinar series on the Transformation Journey of other states: Maine, North Dakota and North Carolina
 - Review of the Workforce Pell Grant Working Group
 - Review of the Eligible Training Provider List Task Force
 - Review of the Eligible Training Provider Platform Modernization project with University of Hawaii
 - Restructuring of the Employer Engagement Committee and the Sector Strategies and Career Pathways Committee
 - B. FOCUS FOR 2026 Quarter 2 and Quarter 3

The Executive Director will report on the focus for the next two quarters:

 - Orientation session for new Council members in April and May
 - Preparation for the implementation of the Workforce Pell Grant
 - Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL) Task Force (A specialized task force will be convened to streamline and strengthen the process for approving and monitoring eligible training providers.)
 - State Board Acting as the Local Board on Kaua'i (Training will be conducted to

ensure the State Board can fully meet its responsibilities when acting as the Local Workforce Board for Kaua'i)

- Certification of the Kaua'i American Job Center
- Prepare to conduct a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the operation of the Kauai American Job Center
- Mandatory Board Member Training – State and Local Boards (We are planning an in-person statewide joint training session in July, focusing on roles, governance, and compliance).
- Symposium Series on Artificial Intelligence, starting with April 30, 2026, event. (Other dates include June 25, September 3, October 29)
- Synergy Summit in July 2026
- Future of Work Conference on September 23, 2026
- Employer Engagement Listening Series (eight sessions) for June, July and August
- Research Project in collaboration with the Hawaii Employers Council
- Artificial Intelligence (AI) Research Project/ How are Hawaii companies preparing for AI?
- Building Staff Capacity (The Council will continue to strengthen its team and align staffing for optimum efficiency.)
- Establishing Parameters for Workforce Development Council Grants and Procurement of these services.
- Continuing to maximize the relevance of existing committees and adjust as needed.

VI. Next Meeting

Tentatively scheduled for Monday, August 3, 2026, from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm. Virtual Videoconferencing Meeting via Zoom and in-person at 830 Punchbowl Street, Room 317, Honolulu, HI 96813.

VII. Adjournment

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