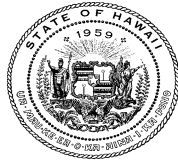


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**HAWAII WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING**

AGENDA

Date: June 26, 2026
Time: 1:30 p.m.
In-Person Meeting Location: Princess Ruth Ke'elikolani Building
830 Punchbowl Street, Room 317
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Virtual Participation: Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Meeting (Link below)
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88257363608?pwd=aMDWa1Zr1z810tppQpHK0DfV17XsK1.1>
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Agenda: The agenda was posted to the State electronic calendars as required by §92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS")
Board Meeting Materials: Meeting materials are available for review at
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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 to foster a robust economy.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of the Minutes
- III. Presentations
 - A. Seafarers International Union of North America - Amber Akana
 - i. Historical background and trend
 - ii. Apprenticeship program overview
 - iii. Immediate and future demand
 - B. Youth Voice Discussion
 - i. Brainstorm source organizations of youth preparing for workforce
 - ii. Expectations for youth invited to participate in Youth Services Committee
 - iii. Change time of committee meeting to accommodate in-school youth
- IV. Executive Director’s Report

- A. Update on the 2024-2028 State Unified Plan Implementation & Plan Modification
- B. Quarter 1 & 2 Highlights
 - i. Workforce Pell Grant working group
 - ii. Eligible Training Provider List Task Force
 - iii. Eligible Training Provider Platform Modernization project with the University of Hawaii
 - iv. Restructuring of the Employer Engagement Committee and the Sector Strategies and Career Pathways Committee
- C. Quarter 3 & 4 Focus events and activities
 - i. Orientation session for new Council members in April and May
 - ii. Preparation for the implementation of the Workforce Pell Grant
 - iii. 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.)
 - iv. 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)
 - v. Provisional certification of the Kaua'i American Job Center extended to December 31, 2026
 - vi. Mandatory Board Member Training – State and Local Boards (We are planning an in-person statewide joint session in July, focusing on roles, governance, and compliance).
 - vii. Symposium Series on Artificial Intelligence (AI), starting with April 30, 2026, event. (Other dates include June 25, September 3, and October 29.)
 - viii. Synergy Summit in July 2026
 - ix. Future of Work Conference on September 23, 2026
 - x. Employer Engagement Listening Series (eight sessions) in June, July, August, and September
 - xi. Research Project in collaboration with the Hawaii Employers Council
 - xii. Artificial Intelligence (AI) Research Project: "How are Hawaii companies preparing for AI?"
 - xiii. Building Staff Capacity (The Council will continue to strengthen its team and align staffing for optimum efficiency.)
 - xiv. Establishing services parameters for WDC Grants and Procurement
 - xv. Continuing to maximize the relevance of existing committees and adjust as needed

V. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for October 8, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. and will be a Virtual Videoconferencing Meeting via Zoom and in-person at 830 Punchbowl Street, Room 317, Honolulu, HI 96813.

VI. Adjournment

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