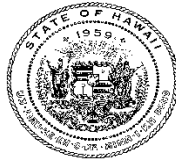


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**EMPLOYER ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, October 23, 2024
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
In-person and online via Zoom**

MINUTES

MEMBERS:

Derek Kanehira, Committee Chair, Senior Vice President, Human Resources, Alexander and Baldwin
Cheryl Cross, Principal, Owner, C.A. Cross & Associates
Rona Fukumoto, CEO, Lanakila Pacific
Lea Dias, Administrator, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Dept of Human Services

GUEST:

Leina'ala Nakamura, Administrator, WorkHawaii Division, Dept of Community Services, City & County of Honolulu
Roxsand Okuna, Youth Program Supervisor, WorkHawaii Division, Dept of Community Services, City & County of Honolulu
Juli Chun, Workforce Development Sector Coordinator, University of Hawaii Community College Systems Office
Paul Chen, Vice President & Talent Acquisition Manager, First Hawaiian Bank
Kelii Opulauoho, Learning Manager, Organizational Development at Hawaiian Electric
Cristal Garan, Youth Program, WorkHawaii Division, Dept of Community Services, City & County of Honolulu
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Lee-Ann Williams-Naeole, AJC
Mark Menard, Business Services Coordinator, American Job Center Hawaii, WorkHawaii Division
Tamara Addison, HR and Labor Vice President, Oahu Transit Services
Deborah Leong-Yep, HR, UHA Health Insurance
Jackie Kaina, Executive Director, Kauai Economic Development Board
Sonya Koki, SSFM
Thomas Chock, Program Specialist, DEBDT
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STAFF:

Bennette Misalucha, Executive Director, Workforce Development Council

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- I. Call to Order**
Video [00:08:57] Employer Engagement Committee meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m. by Chair Derek Kanehira.
- II. Presentation: Update on Commercial Driver's Training Proposal by the Good Jobs Hawaii**
Video [00:16:00] by Executive Director Bennette Misalucha
- III. Workforce Opportunity Tax Credit Update**
Video [00:36:06] by Workforce Development Division
- IV. Statement of Purpose for the Committee**
Video [00:54:25] by Chair Derek Kanehira
- V. Roundtable Discussion**
Video [00:57:20] facilitated by Executive Director Bennette Misalucha
- VI. Executive Director's Report**
Video [01:32:04] by Executive Director Bennette Misalucha
- VII. Announcements and Constituent Comments**
Video [01:35:43] No announcements or comments
- VIII. Next Meeting**
Video [01:36:25] Next Meeting: The next meeting for the Employer Engagement Committee is scheduled February 2025 but the date will be finalized shortly. The Council is in the process of setting up the dates for all the Committees.
- IX. Adjournment**
Video [01:36:44] Committee Chair Tui Scanlan adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m.