

MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE MARICOPA COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Wednesday, May 27, 2020 – 9:30 a.m.

REMOTE MEETING

WebEx: <https://mcwdb-1095-9b71.my.webex.com/meet/mcwdb>

Phone: +1-510-338-9438; Access Code/Meeting ID: 625 125 871

Members Present: Chris Tafoya (Ph.), Elizabeth “E” Cole (Ph), Gregg Ghelfi (Ph), Loren Granger (Ph.), Mark Lashinske (Ph), Matt McGuire (Ph.), Neal Dauphin (Ph), Shawn Hutchinson (Ph), Stan Chavira (Ph.), Tina Drews (Ph), Tom Jenkins (Ph), Vanessa Andersen (Ph)

Members Absent: Angie Ferguson, Charisse Ward, Julie Stiak, Mark Wagner

Call to Order

Chairman, Mark Lashinske, called the Maricopa County Workforce Development Board (MCWDB) meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Roll Call

MCWDB Liaison, Nancy Avina took roll. Quorum was present.

Welcome and Introductions

Chairman Lashinske, provided brief welcoming remarks, welcomed 3 new board members to the board and asked new board members to briefly introduce themselves. Loren Granger, Corporate Recruiter for Bank of America briefly introduced herself. Stan Chavira with UFCW introduced himself. Christopher Tafoya, Deputy Administrator for Title III with the State of Arizona introduced himself.

Chair Remarks

Chairman Lashinske, provided several opening remarks including, thanking staff for their work. He touched upon the roles and responsibilities of the Chairman and board; and expressed how critical it was for all to understand that the board’s focus is on governance, policies and procedures under WIOA requirements, State and Board of Supervisors; as well as, on the partnership with the Board of Supervisors regarding actions of the MCWDB and not get into the weeds of operation.

Consent Agenda-Action

Chairman Lashinske, asked for a motion to accept items on the consent agenda. Stan Chavira made a motion. Tom Jenkins seconded the motion.

Present on the phone in favor: Chris Tafoya (Ph.), Elizabeth “E” Cole (Ph), Gregg Ghelfi (Ph), Loren Granger (Ph.), Mark Lashinske (Ph), Matt McGuire (Ph.), Neal Dauphin (Ph), Shawn Hutchinson (Ph), Stan Chavira (Ph.), Tina Drews (Ph), Tom Jenkins (Ph), Vanessa Andersen (Ph)

Present on the phone opposed: None; Abstained/Did not vote: None. The motion carried.

Chairman Report

Chairman Lashinske, briefly touched upon working with legal regarding the shared governance agreement, career service agreement, MOU and other items governing the board, as well as with the Workforce Arizona Council and its committees. He expressed trying to get all documents finalized to present those to the Board and the Board of Supervisors, but how complex the process has been. In addition, Chairman Lashinske expressed options for emergency plans being available regarding emergency meetings/reviews.

Executive Director Report

Executive Director, Patricia Wallace provided a brief update and background on WIOA local area PY20 allocations, potential additional COVID-19 funds and the One Stop Operator Renewal for 2020-2021.

Presentation, Discussion and Possible Action: Career Service Provider East Valley Career Center Relocation Proposal*

Chairman Lashinske, requested discussion regarding the agenda item and expressed desire to not get into the weeds and have operations do the work. He expressed his preference of having operations come to the table with a suggestion and/or contract and having operations and the Executive Director of the board work with the appropriate parties to gather the information for the board, to be able to make decisions. Discussion and clarification was held on the objective and understanding, Chairman Lashinske clarified the intent. Board members had concerns regarding the upcoming lease expiration; Tom Colombo provided further clarification on the East Valley Career Center lease expiration (June 30, 2021) and the department that would assist (Maricopa Real Estate Department) to identify space/costs. Additional information was provided on current center capacity and partners. Chairman Lashinske clarified the operations of the Board – the Executive Director and staff will be working with the Maricopa Real Estate Department and bringing in Tom Colombo in as well. Board members requested title partners be involved in the relocation process.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action: Career Service Provider Agreement*

Chairman Lashinske, informed legal is reviewing a few options to present to the Executive Committee and the Full Board through a special meeting.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action on WIOA waivers needed

Executive Director, Patricia Wallace provided a brief overview on the purpose of Waivers, and further informed that the State is not looking to pursue any Statewide waivers. The youth committee is looking at waivers needed/necessary locally and specific to youth. Research is currently being conducted to determine what providers currently need to allow maximum flexibility. 2 waivers are currently being investigated, the expectation is that at the next meeting a list of waivers will be solidified to determine what should be pushed forward for Maricopa County.

WIOA Budget 2021 Discussion

Chairman Lashinske, acknowledged and thanked Deputy Director, Jacqueline Edwards in assisting to understand government finances. He provided brief comment on the budgetary review in April. A 1st draft budget has been put together and submitted to Jacqueline for review and will then be presented to the Executive Committee and the Full Board. Chairman Lashinske briefly touched on several line items on a 6/1/2020 budget as a go forward plan on the additional funds that need to be spent.

Board Member Announcements

Chairman Lashinske opened the floor for board member announcements. None noted.

Call to the Public

Chairman Lashinske made a call for public comment. No public comments made.

Adjourn Full Board Meeting

Chairman Lashinske adjourned the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

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