



MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE MARICOPA COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Thursday, October 19, 2023 – 9:30 a.m.

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Phone: +1 (872) 240-3212; Access Code/Meeting ID: 167-097-701

Members Present: Angela Creedon, Bonnie Schirato, Kathryn “Che” Collins, Gregg Ghelfi, Grenee Martacho, Jason Walker, Joe Veres, Loren Granger, Konrad Robichaud, Leah Hill, Marcia Veidmark, Scott Holman, Shawn Hutchinson, Tina Drews

Members Absent: Elizabeth Valdez, Ismial Rangel, Jacob Evenson, Matt Clark, Noelle Trinder, Scott Sudhalter

MEETING

Call to Order.

Chair Leah Hill called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m. and requested a roll call.

Roll Call.

MCWDB Board Liaison Deseret Romero took the roll call. A quorum was present.

Welcome and Opening Remarks.

Chair Hill welcomed everyone to the meeting and shared a few words on the passing of former MCWDB Board Member Darcy Renfro. In addition, Chair Hill introduced new MCWDB In-Demand Careers Pathway Strategist Katelyn Harris-Lange and read the MCWDB’s vision, values, and goals.

Consent Agenda.

- a. Meeting Minutes: August 17, 2023*
- b. Service Provider Agreement Renewal*
- c. Fiscal Reports*
- d. Executive Director’s Report*
- e. FY23 MCWDB Annual Report*
- f. One-Stop Operator Monthly Report*
- g. August Jobs Report*
- h. Careers Pathway Strategist Report*

MOTION: Chair Hill asked for a motion to approve consent agenda items. Bonnie Schirato made a motion; Scott Holman seconded the motion.

All in favor vote held:

In favor: Angela Creedon, Bonnie Schirato, Kathryn “Che” Collins, Gregg Ghelfi, Grenee Martacho, Jason Walker, Joe Veres, Loren Granger, Konrad Robichaud, Leah Hill, Marcia Veidmark, Scott Holman, Shawn Hutchinson, Tina Drews

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Motion passed.

Chair Report.

Chair Hill shared a few upcoming job fairs and some recent program activities of the Valley of the Sun United Way.

Community Impact Statements.

a. MCWDB Success Story

Workforce Development Division (WDD) Assistant Director Jared Beard shared the MCWDB success story.

Information/Discussion Only.

a. In-Demand Industries Presentation: Intel

Intel’s Arizona Public Affairs Manager and MCWDB Member Angela Creedon to provide a presentation on the In-Demand Industries Presentation: Intel. Below are the highlights of their presentation.

About Intel		Intel’s Workforce Focus	
Intel’s Maricopa County Locations		Workforce Development	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ocotillo Campus Chandler Campus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Direct Employees: 13,000 Total Jobs Supported: 58,000+ Total Capital Invest: \$32 billion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total Labor Contribution: \$4.9 billion Annual GDP Contribution: \$8.6 billion Future Investments Announced: \$20 billion 	
Sustainability		Workforce Development & Pathways – Semiconductor Industry	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Responsible Water Stewardship 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> K12 STEAM Education Pipeline Community Colleges & Trade Schools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> University Collaboration 	
Executing Moore’s Law Intel Process Technology			

Chair Hill thanked Ms. Creedon for her presentation and appreciation for Intel’s contribution to the Arizona community.

b. Service Provider Update

Workforce Development Division Assistant Director Jared Beard provided the MCWDB with a Service Provider Update. Below are the following highlights from Mr. Beard’s presentation.

Priority of Service								
Adult Caseload Priority of Service								
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants: Increase (47.48% in Jan – 85% in Sept) Enrollments: Increase (48.40% in Jan – 97% in Sept) 							
WARN - Activity								
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2022: 7 WARN Notices & 679 Impacted Employees 							
Month/2023	Jan	Feb	Mar	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Total
# WARN Notices	4	7	4	1	4	5	1	26
Impacted Employees	505	508	352	80	319	1221	71	3056
Employment by Industry								
Industry	August 2022			August 2023				
Construction	196.40			203.30				
Manufacturing	194.40			193.20				
IT	149.00			145.50				
Finance	189.20			188.30				
Healthcare	415.30			433.10				

Mr. Beard also shared that while there was an increase in WARN notices for IT, most impacted employees were able to quickly find employment with another IT company.

Chair Hill thanked Mr. Beard for his presentation and comments noting how most WARN-impacted employees were able to quickly find employment.

c. FY24 MCWDB Committee Membership/Appointments Update

Chair Hill shared the following appointments to the FY24 MCWDB Committee Membership Roster.

i. Regional Workforce Initiatives Committee Appointments

- Sam Wolo, City of Phoenix Workforce Board Chair (Non-MCWDB Member)
- Harold Christ, Pinal County Workforce Board Chair (Non-MCWDB Member)
- Matt McGuire, Senior Vice President, Optima, Inc. (Non-MCWDB Member)

ii. Employer Connection Committee Appointment

- Tami Martinez, Director of Operations, Televerde Foundation (Non-MCWDB Member)

iii. Youth Committee Appointments

- Barbara Coakley, CTE Director, Peoria Unified School District (Non-Board Member)
- Tony Finn, Vice President, ElevateEdAZ (Non-Board Member)
- Jessica Rivera-Garcia, Executive Director Arizona Head Start (Non-Board Member)
- Marie Raymond, Manager, Office of Education, Career & Family Services, Town of Tempe (Non-Board Member)

d. MCWDB Committee Updates

i. Executive Committee

Chair Hill noted that due to the cancelation of the September Executive Committee, she had no update.

ii. Youth Committee

Youth Committee Chair Joe Veres noted the new membership to the Youth Committee, the Committee's review of goals for the year and what they would like to focus on in order to provide the most impact to the youth community.

iii. Employer Connection Committee

MCWDB Executive Director Steve Clark thanked former Employer Connection Committee Chair and MCWDB Member Subhash Chandra, received a business service update, noted the discussion of Committee goals, for the coming year and a presentation for the outreach efforts with our community partners. Mr. Clark also noted that with Mr. Chandra's departure, the Chair position for the Employer Connection Committee is open if MCWDB Members are interested.

iv. Regional Workforce Initiatives Committee

Regional Workforce Initiatives Committee Chair Bonnie Schirato noted that the first meeting of the Regional Workforce Initiatives Committee provided a positive discussion on what the focus of the Committee might be, a discussion of the Committee goals, regional best practices and a presentation from the Greater Phoenix Economic Council (GPEC).

Call to the Public.

Chair Hill made a call for public comment. No one spoke.

Adjourn.

Chair Hill adjourned the MCWDB meeting at 10:31 a.m.

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