
MINUTES

BROWARD WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD, INC. & CAREERSOURCE BROWARD COUNCIL OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

Partnership Meeting #220

Thursday, October 24, 2019

CareerSource Broward, 2890 West Cypress Creek Road, Ft. Lauderdale 33309

The Committee is reminded of the conflict of interest provisions. In declaring a conflict please refrain from voting or discussion and declare the following information: 1) Your name and position on the Board, 2) the nature of the conflict and 3) who will gain or lose as a result of the conflict. Please also fill out form 8B prior to the meeting.

Attendees: Mayor Josh Levy (via phone), Commissioner Tim Ryan, Mayor Dean Trantalis, Josie Bacallao (via phone) Michael Carn, Kristen Cavallini-Soothill (via phone), Heiko Dobrikow, Paul Farren, Cynthia Gaber (via phone) Francios LeConte, Dr. Gertrudis Perez-Dusek (via phone), Sam Robbin, Jim Ryan, John Simmons, Dr. Steve Tinsley, Marjorie Walters, and Janet Wincko

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MISSION MOMENT

Lucille Thomas, Veteran, and a previous customer through the work-study program provided the mission moment.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Heiko Dobrikow gave the Board member spotlight.

Nadine Jackson, One Stop Operator, gave the staff spotlight.

PRESENTATION ON TRANSPORTATION

At the request of the board, Bill Cross, Deputy Executive Director of Planning and Programming and James Cromar, Deputy Executive Director of Strategic Initiatives, presented current short and long-range transportation planning efforts in the region.

James Cromar, Deputy Executive Director of Strategic Initiatives, stated that the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) mission is to collaboratively plan, prioritize and fund the delivery of diverse transportations options. He further indicated that they represent 32 Broward Municipalities, 5 Broward County Board of County Commissioners, Broward County School Board and South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (Tri-Rail).

Bill Cross, Deputy Executive Director of Planning and Programming, stated that Broward's population in 2045 will be approximately 2.3 million people. We are federally required 25-year long-range planning document and is updated every 5 years to help guide federal/state transportation investments. He further noted that MPO reaches out to Partners such as FDOT, Broward County, Municipalities, Tri-Rail, Port/Airport and the public to identify using partner input and the last available data.

Mason Jackson stated that we provided feedback to MPO regarding the issues we have seen with transportation for our customers.

Mayor Dean Trantalis stated that the 2.3 million people coming to Broward County is not an accurate count and that we need to be better prepared for 2045. Bill Cross responded that the numbers are census driven. The numbers come from the University of Florida. They provide a low, medium and high range. The 2.3 million estimate is between low and medium range.

Bill Cross stated that in April, MPO will be hosting a Summit. Heiko Dobrikow mentioned that he sits on the Business Council and would like to make sure that transportation connects with the committee to discuss improving transportation.

PRESENTATION ON SOUTH FLORIDA MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION

Matt Rocco, President of the South Florida Manufacturers Association, will provide a presentation on job growth and workforce perspective in the manufacturing industry.

Due to time constraints, the presentation of the South Florida Manufacturers Association was moved to the next Board meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of the September 26, 2019, Broward Workforce Development Board/CareerSource Broward Council Partnership Meeting #219.

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2019, BWDB Partnership/CareerSource Broward Council meeting #219 was made by Mayor Dean Trantalis and seconded by Francois LeConte. The Broward Workforce Development Board, Inc./CareerSource Broward Council of Elected Officials unanimously approved the minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda items are items that may not need individual discussion and may be voted on as one item. Any member wishing to discuss an item may move to have it considered individually.

ACCEPTANCE OF CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion made by Michael Carn and seconded by Francois LeConte, the Broward Workforce Development Board, Inc. /CareerSource Broward Council of Elected Officials unanimously approved the Consent Agenda of October 24, 2019.

1. **Monthly Performance Report**

The current performance for the month of August is provided. This month's data reflects that within the Big 7 Regions CSBD ranks 1st in WTP Two-Parent Participation Rate, and ranks 2nd in WTP All Family Participation Rate and WTP Entered Employment Rate.

2. **BWDB Committee Summary**

Summary of actions taken at the following meeting:

Executive Committee –10/7/19

REGULAR AGENDA

These are items that the Council and Board will discuss individually in the order listed on the Agenda. Individuals who wish to participate in these discussions may do so merely by raising their hands during the discussion and being recognized by the Chair. The Chair will determine the order in which each individual will speak and the length of time allotted.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Appointment of New Board Member**

CSBD was notified by Superintendent Robert Runcie through Daniel Gohl, Chief Academic Officer, with Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) that they are replacing Enid Valdez as the designated representative on the Board. James Payne, Curriculum Supervisor, will be the new BCPS designee. Consideration to recommend James Payne to fill the Education slot formerly filled by Enid Valdez. CareerSource Broward Council of Elected Officials governing board appoint board members by a vote of the Council following a recommendation from the BWDB. *(This is in alignment with the BWDB goal to maintain our role as local workforce development leaders.)*

On a motion made by Mayor Dean Trantalis and seconded by Commissioner Tim Ryan, the CareerSource Broward Council of Elected Officials unanimously approved the appointment of James Payne, Curriculum Supervisor with BCPS.

2. **2020 BWDB Legislative Agenda**

Reviewed the Proposed 2020 BWDB Legislative Agenda. Also, presented is the FWDA Legislative agenda which is largely the same except for the apprenticeship item. *(This is in alignment with the BWDB goal to maintain our role as local workforce development leaders.)*

Mason Jackson stated we would like to bring the BWDB Legislative 2020 Legislative Agenda to the legislature. There are 4 main elements. 1) Skills Training Allocation 2) Full funding Sadowski Act 3) Apprenticeship Expansion and 4) Single-State platform.

Josie Bacallao inquired about pulling dollars from bright futures scholarships? Mason Jackson responded that we are not pulling dollars out of Bright Futures, we are saying that post-secondary education would also be viable to expenditures out of the Bright Futures money. If someone didn't want to go to college but they went to Atlantic Technical College for a certificate the money would come from Bright Futures.

Josie Bacallao inquired if CareerSource participates in Broward Days. Mason Jackson responded that we do not attend Broward days but we do attend a Workforce event that CareerSource Florida hosts in February.

Josie Bacallao asked if CSBD is taking a position or discussion on the e-verify bill on the legislative agenda. Mason Jackson responded that he would need to do more research and come back to amend it if we need to at the next board meeting.

On a motion made by Mayor Dean Trantalis and seconded by Francois LeConte, the Broward Workforce Development Board, Inc. /CareerSource Broward Council of Elected Officials unanimously approved 2020 BWDB Legislative Agenda.

3. BWDB and Executive 2020 Schedule

Considered the 2020 meeting Schedule for the BWDB and Executive Committee meetings. Schedule is consistent with the Federal and Jewish Holidays. *(This is in alignment with the BWDB goal to maintain our role as local workforce development leaders.)*

On a motion made by Michael Carn and seconded by Paul Farren, the Broward Workforce Development Board, Inc. /CareerSource Broward Council of Elected Officials unanimously approved BWDB and Executive 2020 Schedule.

REPORTS

1. Toni Brown Customer Service Award

CareerSource Broward Toni Brown Customer Service Award was presented to Eric Ocasio, Disabled Veteran Outreach Program Specialist, in honor of a long time Career Counselor Toni Brown.

2. Listing of Planned Job Fairs

CareerSource Broward participated in numerous community events throughout the year where employers, job seekers, and the general public are educated about the workforce solutions we offer.

Mason Jackson stated that we handed out a flyer regarding our Paychecks for Patriots hiring event for 11/6. Mr. Jackson thanked Advanced Roofing, City Furniture and Riverside Hotel for their participation in the event.

3. Broward County Unemployment

The unemployment rate in Broward County was 2.8 percent in September 2019. Lower by 0.3 percentage point over the year. In September 2019, Broward County's unemployment rate was 0.2 percentage point lower than the state rate (3.0) and 0.5 percent point lower than the national rate (3.3 percent). Out of a labor force of 1,060,561, there were 30,058 unemployed Broward County residents.

MATTERS FROM THE CAREERSOURCE BROWARD COUNCIL

None.

MATTERS FROM THE BOARD

Heiko Dobrikow mentioned that on 10/29 Mason Jackson will be honored at the Salute To Business Event at the Signature Grand in Davie.

MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

None.

MATTERS FROM THE PRESIDENT/CEO

Mason Jackson stated that at the next Board meeting he will be presenting some of the barriers employers face when trying to recruit employers such as applicant tracking systems. An applicant tracking system is a software application that enables the electronic handling of recruitment and hiring needs.

ADJOURNMENT 9:30 a.m.

<p><i>THE NEXT BROWARD WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD/CAREERSOURCE BROWARD COUNCIL MEETING AND ANNUAL PLANNING SESSION IS SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 12, 2019 AT 8:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M. BREAKFAST AND LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED.</i></p>
