

## **WORKFORCE ARIZONA COUNCIL – QUALITY WORKFORCE COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Wednesday, April 24, 2019

9 AM – 11 AM

1700 W. Washington Street, Suite 105, Phoenix, AZ 85007

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### **Members Present**

Mark Gaspers, Chair – Boeing

Todd Graver – Freeport-McMoRan

Larry Lucero – Tucson Electric Power

Thomas Winkel – Arizona Coalition for Military Families

### **Members Absent**

Thomas Longstreth – Ventana Medical Systems

Susan Anable – Cox

#### **1. Call to Order**

The Quality Workforce Committee was called to order at 9:18 a.m.

#### **2. Welcome/Introductions**

Welcome was provided by Committee Chair Mark Gaspers.

#### **3. Approval of Minutes**

Larry Lucero moved to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2018 meeting, seconded by Thomas Winkel. The motion passed.

#### **4. Call to the Public**

There were no comments from the public.

#### **5. Presentation: Arizona House Bill 2657 Overview**

Representative Jeff Weninger shared with us the bill he created and purpose and intent for the \$2 million being requested for this bill, which will be administered by the Arizona Commerce Authority and known as the Technology and Innovation Workforce Program. At the conclusion of the overview Committee Chair Mark Gaspers thanked Representative Weninger for his leadership on this and bringing workforce to the forefront and he hopes that we can grow and expand on this concept.

#### **6. Presentation: Advanced Manufacturing Network and Mesa Community College Workforce Initiatives**

Leah Palmer, Executive Director, AzAMI, Mesa Community College shared information on the Arizona Advanced Technology Network coming out of the Corridor concept and the new Electrical Cable Harness Wiring Certification Boot Camp which is sponsored by Boeing. She is also discussed the importance of the partnerships that have been created with the AATN and the necessity to replicate for other industries. Throughout her presentation she stated “It takes a Village...” to create and work through these concepts but with the right partnerships success can be achieved. Members of the Public including Rosalyn Boxer, OEO and Sheryl Hart, ADE made comments about the corridor and the

initiatives coming out of MCC and how there is great opportunity to create talent pipelines. Mark Gaspers thanked Leah for her presentation.

#### **7. Presentation: Innovative Business Services Across States**

Jeff Ryan, U.S. Department of Labor presented on the Principles of High Quality Business Engagement. There were 26 slides for the presentation and he touched on each of them with a few key elements:

- Business Engagement is the foundation of the public workforce system
- Make it so businesses can't think of doing business without you as a partner
- Build Long-Term Relationships with businesses
- Deliver solutions that will benefit the whole company not just pieces of the company
- Utilize the 9 principals shared within the presentation when developing your Business Engagement strategies.

Mark Gaspers thanked Ryan for the wealth of information shared and asked if he could provide the link to the assessment he discussed in the presentation so we as a state can review the assessment and asked if he could identify states that we could look to for guidance. Jack mentioned Massachusetts, Michigan, Florida and Wyoming and stated he would send the link for the State Assessment to Ashley. Tom Winkle asked if they Jeff could identify challenges or issues that have arisen that has caused these principles discussed to not work. Jeff stated he would also send that information to Ashley.

#### **8. Presentation: WIOA Veterans Program Overview**

Christopher Tafoya, AzDES-DERS presented on the JVGS Grant that is administered through DES. He provided an overview of the program, Veterans Priority of Service (VPOS), VPOS FFYI 19 Strategy, FFY 18 Metrics, FFY 19 JVSG Annual Improvement Plan and Key Partnerships that make this program work in Arizona. Mark Gaspers thanked Chris for the information shared and Tom Winkle also thanked Chris for all his efforts in supporting Veteran's in Arizona.

#### **9. Committee Next Steps**

#### **10. Adjournment**

Larry Lucero moved to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Thomas Winkled. Motion passed and Mark Gaspers adjourned the meeting at 11:03 p.m.

*Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to members of the Workforce Arizona Council Quality Workforce Committee and to the general public that the Committee will hold a meeting, open to the public, on Thursday, April 12, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. in the Office of Economic Opportunity 100 N. 15th Ave, Suite 103. For more information, please call (602) 364-0430.*

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