



Maricopa County Workforce Development Board – Quality Workforce Workgroup Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Vanessa Andersen, Mark Wagner, Randy Kimmens, Kelly Crawford, Steve Yamamori, Ashley Wilhelm, Kathy Johnson, Cassie Cooper, Tina Luke

Members Absent: Sally Downey

Call to Order

Quality Workforce Workgroup meeting initiated by Workgroup Member, Randy Kimmens, at 11:00 a.m. on behalf of Lead, Vanessa Andersen. Introductions held. Board Liaison, Nancy Avina, took roll; a quorum of the workgroup was present.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Mr. Kimmens called for a motion to approve previous meeting minutes. Steve Yamamori made a motion, Mark Wagner seconded motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

In-Demand Occupations Review and Possible Selection

Management Analyst, Isabel Creasman, provided a brief overview of the task at hand (part. 2 selecting in demand occupations) via a PowerPoint presentation. A joint presentation on in-demand occupation selection was provided by Isabel Creasman; Rachael Tashbook, from the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO); and Kevin Dumcum, Career Services Business Service Representative. The presentation covered (1) an overview of in-demand occupations and applicable definitions, (2) differentiation between in-demand occupations and target occupations, (3) considerations in making selections, (4) Business Services perspective and recommendations, (5) OEO's analysis and recommendations; and lastly (6) 5-1 star rating options for making selection. Opportunities for discussion and clarification were available throughout the presentation.

Discussion and consideration was made on what the local area should select and focus on. The Workgroup discussed differences between the rating options and wanted to ensure ratings allow for career pathways and viable options for different populations (i.e. youth). Management Analyst, Isabel Creasman showed healthcare occupations and their ratings as an example. Lead, Vanessa Anderson asked for the consensus of the workgroup; the Workgroup collectively agreed to focus on 3 - 5 star ratings in-demand occupations.

Lead, Ms. Andersen, asked for a motion to approve the recommendation of the 3-5 star rating in-demand occupations. Tina Luke made a motion. Kelly Crawford seconded the motion made. All were in favor. The motion carried.

Management Analyst, Isabel Creasman advised the workgroup of next steps in taking recommendations to the Full Board and in selecting target occupations applicable to WIOA funding. Business Services Representative, Kevin Dumcum, furthermore provided a few considerations for thought when selecting target occupations.

Action Items/Next Steps

None noted.

Call to the Public

Workgroup Lead, Vanessa Andersen, called for public comment. No public comment.

Adjourn

Lead, Vanessa Anderson asked for a motion to adjourn the Quality Workforce meeting. Steve Yamaori made the first motion, Kelly Crawford seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m.