



## Maricopa County Workforce Development Board – Regionalism & Sustainability Workgroup Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 4, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

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**Members Present:** Drew Thorpe, Stacey Faulkner, Shawn Hutchinson, Tom Jenkins, and Tina Wadham.

**Members Absent:** Gregg Ghelfi, Reid Graser and Alex Jovanovic.

Guests: LaSetta Hogans, Christina Edwards, Sheila Murphy, Tracey Regenold , Steve Yamamori

### **Call to Order**

Regionalism & Sustainability Workgroup (RSW) meeting initiated by Workgroup Lead, Drew Thorpe, at 9:15 a.m. WDB Liaison, Nancy Avina, took roll; a quorum of the Workgroup was present.

### **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Thorpe, asked for a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Shawn Hutchinson made a motion, Tom Jenkins seconded the motion. All were in favor; motion carried.

### **Workgroup Composition**

Lead, Drew Thorpe, reviewed the discussion from the last meeting pertaining to the Workgroup's composition. Drew Thrope noted Rob Stenson and Stan from the City of Phoenix were in attendance today. Kelly Hart was not available to due to another commitment.

LaSetta Hogans, Executive Director of the City of Phoenix Workforce Development Board, reported Michelle Jameson, who oversees the service delivery committee and works directly with operations staff, was invited but not able to attend today and may have one other board member in mind for this workgroup.

### **Review of Action Items from Previous Meeting**

Tom Jenkins provided a summary of the Technology Workgroup progress and how the work of the group has now been taken on by the Workforce Arizona Council and has been assigned to the Measuring Effectiveness Committee of the State Workforce Board to continue efforts to explore effective technology solutions for Arizona. Mr. Drew Thorpe asked for Stacey Faulkner, Maricopa County and LaSetta Hogans, City of Phoenix to report progress on assignments from last meeting. Both Stacey and LaSetta reported actions are in progress but not complete and would provide a report at the next meeting.

### **Review of Workgroup Goals, Strategies & Actions**

Mr. Thorpe reviewed two similar prompts from the last meeting he and Dr. Sheila Murphy, the MCWDB's Strategic Planner, developed. The first prompt reviewed with the Workgroup was: *Are the strategies that have been developed to date sufficient?* Mr. Thorpe then proceeded to review the strategies with the group and provided a status update on each of these. The second prompt for the Workgroup was: *Develop as many actions as possible for each strategy.* To address these prompts, Dr. Sheila Murphy then led the Workgroup on a discussion of how this Workgroup can approach each as well as specific to Goal 4 propel self-sustaining activities. Some of the benefits discussed by Workgroup included: the benefits of leveraging non WIOA federal and non-federal funds to serve job seekers and businesses especially marginalized populations; strategic pursuit of

alternate funding that aligns with the documented needs of the region; and aligning resources to be most impactful in providing services to employers and job seekers. The Workgroup then spent some time discussing the gaps, opportunities and actions necessary to establish an approach to sustainability via alternate funding.

**Assignments & Next Steps**

<b>Requested by:</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Assigned to:</b>	<b>Due Date</b>
Drew Thorpe	Identify gaps in current workforce system in serving job seekers and employers	Stacey Faulkner Rob Stenson	By next meeting: 4/1/19
Drew Thorpe	-Invite one additional City of Phoenix Board member in addition to Michelle Jameson, to join Workgroup.	LaSetta Hogans	By next meeting: 4/1/19
RSW	Obtain feedback from state, city, and county staff on the actions discussed during the meeting and report out at next meeting.	Stacey Faulkner	By next meeting: 4/1/19
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**Call to the Public**

Workgroup Lead, Drew Thorpe, called for public comment. No public comment.

**Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

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