WORKFORCE INVESTMENT SAN FRANCISCO

Local Workforce Investment Board for the City and County of San Francisco

Draft Minutes of The June 8, 2022
Meeting of the Workforce Investment San Francisco (WISF)
War Memorial Veterans Building, Green Room, 2nd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102

Meeting held in person and via teleconference pursuant to Governor Newsom’s Executive Order N-25-20 and Mayor Breed’s Third Supplement to Mayoral Proclamation Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency (2/2020)

WISF Members Present
Kevin Carroll, Hospital Council
Jeanine Cotter, Luminalt Solar Energy Corp.
Angela Tamayo, SEIU-UHW
Bob Nibbi, Nibbi Brothers
Charley Lavery, OE Local 3
John Doherty, IBEW Local 6
Kim Tavaglione, San Francisco Labor Council
Lori Dunn-Guion, Swinerton
Meghan Mitchell, Civic Action Labs
Michon Coleman, Hospital Council of Northern & Central California
Safiya Miller, Microsoft Corporation
Sam Rodriguez, Rodriguez Strategic Partners, LLC
Shamann Walton, San Francisco Board of Supervisors
Shanell Williams, City College Board of Trustees
Theresa Woo, CA Dept. of Rehabilitation
Vikrum Aiyer, ACLU

WISF Members Absent
Ann Weeby, Salesforce
Cynthia Gomez, UNITE HERE Local 2
Edward Battista, Sutter Health
Jorge Tapia, CA Employment Development Dept.
Julie Fallon, Marriott Hotels
Lynn Mahoney, SF State University
Rafael Mandelman, San Francisco Board of Supervisors
Ramon Hernandez, Laborers Local 261

Announcements & Housekeeping (Discussion Item)
Iris Rollins (OEWD) opened the meeting by reciting the Ramaytush Ohlone Land Acknowledgement and reviewing the meeting guidelines.

Swearing In (Non-Agenda Item)
The regular agenda was paused to allow for the re-swing the in of President Shamann Walton. Director of Commissions and Community Relations Tyra Fennell conducted the swearing-in.

Chair’s Welcome & Roll Call (Discussion Item)
Kevin Carroll, WISF Chair, introduced himself and called the meeting to order at 9:08 AM. Chair Carroll welcomed the members and announced that he is retiring in July, at which time he would resign the WISF Board.

Chair Carroll called on Iris Rollins to conduct roll call. Ms. Rollins announced that a quorum was present.

Adoption of the Agenda (Action Item)
Chair Carroll directed members to review the agenda. Chair Carroll asked for a motion to adopt the meeting agenda. Vice-Chair Cotter made the motion which was seconded by Member Lavery and passed unanimously.

Adoption of the Minutes from March 9, 2022 Meeting (Action Item)
Chair Carroll asked for a motion to approve meeting minutes from March 9, 2022 meeting. Member Nibbi made the motion which was seconded by Member Lavery and passed unanimously.
Chair Carroll acknowledged the hybrid structure of the meeting and asked Glenn Eagleson, Principal Workforce Policy Analyst, to speak to the Emergency Proclamation Resolution. Mr. Eagleson explained that the resolution allows the WISF and other policy bodies to continue to meet remotely while the emergency orders from the Governor, Mayor, and San Francisco Department of Public Health are still in place. Chair Carroll solicited comments from Board members. Seeing none, Chair Carroll solicited a motion, which was made by Member Lavery and seconded by Member Aiyer. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Carroll introduced Workforce Director Joshua Arce. Director Arce presented labor market information which demonstrates a 2.2% unemployment rate, but the area employment decreased by 40,300 from December 2019 to April 2022. Director Arce spoke to OEWD’s activities related to Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, the Specialized Job Center Spotlight Event, Kaiser’s Vaccine Pop-Up with the Labor Council, Building Workforce Partnerships Conference, the Healthcare Career and Resource Fair, Opportunities for All Kickoff, the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency’s visits to CityBuild Academy, and tech employer partnerships for First Source Hiring. Director Arce also made remarks about Chair Carroll’s tenure with WISF. Director Arce provided an update that the WISF Master Partnership Agreement and the WISF Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Memorandum of Understanding were both completed.

Chair Carroll elicited questions from members. Members Rodriguez, Lavery, Aiyer, Cotter, and President Walton offer remarks about Chair Carroll’s extraordinary tenure on WISF and in the San Francisco business community.

Chair Carroll requested an update on the Economic Development Administration (EDA) Good Jobs Challenge award, and Director Arce provides an updated timeline as shared by EDA.

Chair Carroll introduced Ernesto Martinez, Director of Asset Building Programs from Mission Economic Development Agency (MEDA) and Mission Language and Vocational School’s (MLVS) presenters including Executive Director Chef Aleks Zavaleta and her team comprised of Dean of Students Jaime Marcic, Education Services Manager Monica Barboza, Culinary Mock Infusion Instructor Chef Leila Ovando, and Program and Marketing Coordination Estefania Lopez.

Chair Carroll thanked the team for presenting on the Mission and solicited questions from the Board.

Member Rodriguez inquired about registration and licensing activities at MLVS. The MLVS team responded to the request.

Chair Carroll introduced John Doherty, Business Manager, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 6, one of the longest-serving members of the WISF. Since 1998, Member Doherty has worked in the electrical industry, has been an active member of his local union and has served the membership as a teacher at the Apprenticeship School, as a Business Representative, as President, and currently as the Business Manager of IBEW Local 6.

Member Doherty provided his personal and professional background, and spoke to the partnership of Local 6 with CityBuild Academy, as well as other project labor agreement partnerships in the City. Chair Carroll thanked Member Doherty for his presentation and solicited comments and questions. Director Arce commented on the strength of IBEW Local 6’s partnership with OEWD.
Chair Carroll introduced Glenn Eagleson, Principal Workforce Policy Analyst, to provide an update on the Assembly Bill 593 legislation and its impact on research and evaluation at OEWD, as requested by the WISF Executive Committee.

Mr. Eagleson shared that unemployment insurance wage data (UI data) allows researchers to compare wages pre- and post-program to determine the efficacy of workforce programs. UI data access for local workforce development boards has been limited to clients enrolled in WIOA-funded programs. AB 593 broadened unemployment insurance wage data to include non-WIOA funded programs. OEWD has been partnering with the California Employment Development Division on the implementation of AB 593 and data for programs starting in July 2022 will be first available in Spring 2023.

Chair Carroll thanked Mr. Eagleson for his presentation and solicited comments and questions from the board. Member Aiyer asked about the use of the data to determine if it will allow for analysis of sectors where there aren’t job matches or increases in income and whether there was any opposition in implementing the process. Mr. Eagleson responded that the data will allow OEWD to see if a client was able to find employment in the sector in which they were trained as well as wage growth and that there has not been any resistance in implementing the legislation.

Chair Carroll opened the meeting up for public comment on non-agenda items. Jen Hand, Workforce Alignment Manager, provided instruction on public comment.

There was no public comment.

Chair Carroll requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Doherty made a motion and Member Lavery seconded. The motion to adjourn was unanimous.