

Pikes Peak Workforce Center
Workforce Development Board Meeting

Friday, April 1st, 2022, 8am – 9:30am Mountain Time

In-Person

Colorado Springs Electrical JATC 414 W. Pikes Peak Ave. C/S CO. 80905

MINUTES

Attendees: Andrew Winders, Ann Cesare, Chelsy Harris, Christopher Garvin, Debbie Miller, Francis Vigil, Jonathan Liebert, Assistant County Administrator Kenny Hodges, Kim Mauthe, Lawrence Wagner, Lianne McNew, Melissa Burkhardt Shields, Reanna Werner, Tammy Sayles, Dr. Valerie Martin Conley, Zach Barker

Other Attendees: Steven Klaffky, Johnathan Tillman, Danielle Summerville, Mark Smith, Renise Walker, Valerie Gallegos, Jim Mancall, Anthony Hendarson, Cecilia Harry

Members Absent and Excused: Aikta Marcoulier, Andy Gilliland, Brian Bradley, Dave Jeffrey, Elise Lowe-Vaughn, Jeff Greene, Jim Boland, Renee Zentz, Robert McLaughlin, Seth Harvey, Dr. Shawn Murray, Sherry Jenkins, Stacie Kwitek-Russell, Susan King, Tamara Moore

Staff in Attendance: Traci Marques, Toya Graham, Robin Lovewell, Tiffany Clark, Pete Olivas, Laurie Padilla, Erica Romero, Bob Gemignani

Debbie Miller, Chair, called meeting to order at 8:09am.

Public Comments: There was no public comment.

Action Items:

A motion was made to approve the March 4th, 2022, meeting minutes by Tammy Sayles, seconded by Zach Barker. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Business:

Debbie Miller asked the Board to introduce themselves as there were new members and members that will be leaving the Board.

Debbie Miller reminded the Board of the attendance policy for the WDB Meetings

Debbie Miller congratulated Erica Romero on being a 2022 Colorado Springs Business Journal Rising Star
Erica Romero thanked the PPWFC leadership team and the WDB for their support

Traci Marques provided organizational updates

- Traci let the know that the WIOA Re-Authorization is happening now and PPWFC has until midnight on 4/6 to submit public comments

- Traci notified the Board that herself and some WDB members are attending National Association of Workforce Boards Annual Conference (NAWB) in Washington DC 4/11 – 4/14 and that Traci and Bob Gemignani are presenting at NAWB on the PPWFC/PPBEA Youth Program
- Traci notified the Board that the Discover Goodwill annual dinner “Flight to Independence” is on 4/20 at The Broadmoor, PPWFC will be receiving award for Business Partner of the Year
- Traci provided an update on US DOL Federal Register Wagner-Peyser Draft Regulations; still waiting on regulations to come out
- Traci introduced Erica Romero, PPWFC Business Relations Manager, who discussed The Scale-Up Grant Program
 - The Office of the Future of Work at the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment has launched the Scale-Up Grant Program to increase apprenticeship opportunities statewide. Employers, sponsors, related training providers, and intermediaries are encouraged to apply for capacity-building projects to develop and/or expand registered apprenticeship programs. Awards will range from \$10,000 to \$50,000. Funds support projects that are employer-driven and prioritize diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility in apprenticeship.
 - Please help us share this opportunity with employers, industry-facing staff and distribution lists, and organizations that have strong employer partnerships. For your convenience and promotion, a flier can be accessed.
 - Questions? Register for the question-and-answer webinar hosted on March 23rd, 2022 at 10:00am MT. If you need accommodations for this webinar, they will be happy to provide them, please email them at apprenticeship@state.co.us.
 - The deadline to apply is April 15th, 2022 at 5:00pm MT.
 - For more information, including the Request for Applications and instructions on how to apply, please visit the Office of the Future of Work website.
 - El Paso County is leading in Apprenticeships
 - Carrie Sigmon is the local Apprenticeship Liaison and is housed with PPWFC

Speakers:

Colorado Springs Electrical JATC Program

- Presented by: Francis Vigil-Training Director
 - Francis provided information on the JATC program, eligibility and background
 - Francis introduced a program graduate that provided a testimonial to the Board
 - Tour of the JATC Facility

Testimonial:

- Anthony Henderson – Colorado Springs Electrical JATC Apprenticeship Veteran Graduate

Next meeting will be held in-person on May 6th, 2022, at Citizens Service Center, Room 1019/1020

1675 Garden of the Gods Rd. Colorado Springs, CO 80907

Updates and Roundtable:

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:07am for the tour of the JATC Facility. Motioned by Debbie Miller and seconded by Ann Cesare.

Submitted by,

Reviewed by,

{Signature on File} 4-1-2022
Tiffany Clark Date

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Francis Vigil Date