

**Pikes Peak Workforce Center**  
**Workforce Development Board Meeting**  
Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 8:00 – 9:30 AM Mountain Time  
**In-Person**  
**Charis Bible College**  
**800 Gospel Truth Way, Woodland Park, CO 80863**  
**MINUTES**

**Attendees:** Cecilia Harry, Bob McLaughlin, Brian Bradley, Debbie Miller, Jim Mancall, Jonathan Liebert, Lisanne McNew, Reanna Werner, Renee Zentz, Seth Harvey, Shawn Murray, Stacie Kwitek-Russell, Susan King

**Other Attendees:** Bob Campbell, Chris Garvin, Christine Layton, Danielle Summerville, Johnathan Tillman, Lauren Shakes, Lynn Vidler

**Members Absent and Excused:** Aikta Marcoulier, Andrew Winders, Ann Cesare, Andy Gilliland, Elise Lowe-Vaughn, Francis Vigil, Jeff Greene, Jim Boland, Kenny Hodges, Kim Mauthe, Lawrence Wagner, Sherry Jenkins, Tamara Moore, Tammy Sayles, Zach Barker

**Staff in Attendance:** Traci Marques, Pete Olivas, Cathy Cimino, Laurie Padilla, Darlene Wolford, Bob Gemignani, Samuel Escalona

Debbie Miller, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:05 AM.

**Public Comments:** There was no public comment.

**Action Items:**

A motion was made to approve the June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022, meeting minutes by Brian Bradley, seconded by Seth Harvey. Shawn Murray noted a correction to the misspelled name of Lawrence Wagner. The motion passed with a correction on the spelling of the name.

**Testimonial**

- Statement by Lisanne McNew in place of testimonial
  - Lisanne provided a recap of the previous week, during which the National Association of Workforce Boards' Board of Directors visited Colorado Springs.
  - The visit included several collaborative panels and engagements with local businesses and community partners.
  - The NAWB Board of Directors were unanimously impressed by how well Colorado works together in workforce operations.

- Organizational updates by Traci Marques
  - PPWFC number of customers that visit the workforce center in-person averages 35-40 people per day. This is far less than pre-pandemic numbers.
  - Other observations: employers are removing job postings and rescinding job offers. Despite the potential recession, traffic has not increased accordingly. Noticing layoffs, including first WARN notice.
  - New initiatives by the federal and state government to create and improve awareness about “quality jobs”.
  - Comment by Darlene Wolford: business team is regularly having conversations with employers about what they offer for their job openings relative to job seeker priorities.
  - Comment by Seth Harvey: Young engineers and IT professionals do not care as much about health insurance and similar benefits. Older professionals and those with families highly prioritize such benefits when considering job quality.

Tour of the campus by Charis Bible College Staff

- WDB members were transported via buses to the headquarters of Andrew Womack Ministries.
- WDB members visited the production studio and warehouse.
- Charis Bible College staff members gave testimonies about their jobs and answered questions about the school.

Next meeting will be held **in-person** on September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, at the Pikes Peak Workforce Center in Colorado Springs.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 AM, and the campus tour concluded at 10:03 AM.

Submitted by,

Reviewed by,

{Signature on File}      8-5-2022  
 Samuel Escalona      Date

{Signature on File}      8-5-2022  
 Francis Vigil      Date