Board Meeting Summary
March 19-20, 2015

Council Members Present:
Andrea Anderson, Fiona Arnold, Laurie Brown, Deb Capra, Julie Charneskie, Dave Csintyan, Josh Davies, Clay Drake, Rep. Crisanta Duran, Maria Feekes, Aaron Fernandes, John Fleck, Peggy Gair, Lt. Governor Joe Garcia, Ellen Golombek, Jay Hardy, Dennis Hisey, Ryan Keiffer, Kristie LaRose, Jeannie Larsen, Jeff Macco, Buzz Moore, Toya Paynter, Kyle Sickman, Mark Spiecker, Trish Sullivan, Paula Swenson, Stephanie Van Cleve

Others Present:
State Agency Representatives: Margaret Kirkpatrick (for Robert Hammond), Inta Morris (for Lt. Governor Joe Garcia), Chantal Unfug (for Department of Local Affairs), Susan White (for Rick Raemisch)
Staff Members: Amy Hodson, Abby Hull, Eric Mergens, Mary Probst, Stephanie Steffens, Emily Templin-Lesh, Lauren Victor, Lee Wheeler-Berliner
Guests: Kate Anderson, Rebecca Balu, Clarke Becker, Bill Dowling, Judy Emery, Kelly Folks, Fred Franko, Tracey Garchar, Dawn Garcia, Nina Holland, Cindy LeCoq, Elise Lowe-Vaughn, Ray Lucero, John Martinez, Tom Miller, Phil Noble, Frank Schoengarth, Jessica Valand, Betty Velasquez, Charlie Whelan, Chloe Wiebe, Scott Wasserman

Agenda Approval and Old Business (see “Council Business” slides):
March board meeting agenda approved.
October meeting minutes adopted.

Goals of the Meeting:
1. Gain an understanding of Colorado’s Talent Landscape
2. Cast Vision for the Council’s marketing and outreach plans
3. Discover how current/proposed legislation impacts workforce development in Colorado
4. Become current on the status and provide input/make policy recommendations on the Workforce innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA)

Colorado’s Talent Landscape (see “Colorado’s Talent Landscape” slides):
Dr. Lauren Victor and Emily Templin-Lesh presented data and next steps from the Talent Pipeline Report, followed by a panel discussion with Lt. Governor Joe Garcia, Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Higher Education (CDHE), and Ellen Golombek, Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Labor & Employment (CDLE).

Advocacy Committee (see “Creating Advocacy” slides):
Ryan Keiffer, the new Chair of the Advocacy Committee, introduced that the committee’s mission is changing to focus on marketing and outreach for Council initiatives. Ryan gathered input from the Council and the Advocacy Committee will use the input to create a communications plan for the CWDC.

Legislative Update
Ellen Golombek spoke about the package of 10 workforce bills currently being considered, and announced that JBC has recommended that the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation move from the Department of Human Services to the Department of Labor and Employment no later than July 2016. Gordon Bronson spoke on behalf of Representative Pabon, and discussed the Colorado Tech Hire Initiative.
### Office of Economic Development & International Trade Update:

Fiona Arnold, the newly appointed Executive Director of the Colorado Office of Economic Development & International Trade (OEDIT), provided the Council with an introduction and an overview of her goals for OEDIT.

### Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA) (see "WIOA Policies" slides):

Lee Wheeler-Berliner gave updates on the implementation of WIOA. Lee updated the Council on several work groups and other initiatives to gain statewide input regarding WIOA implementation. He also described the CWDC’s responsibility to recommend the planning regions to the Governor, and showed the proposed map. He then explained two Policy Guidance Letters regarding designating local areas (PGL 15-04-WIOA) and one-stop certification criteria (PGL 15-05-WIOA). Toya Paynter asked for votes on each PGL; both were approved.

### Program Year 2015 Local Plan Strategic Priorities (see “Council Business” slides):

The Council approved strategic priorities for local areas in their PY15 Local Plans. The CWDC will ask that they maintain the momentum of these priorities, and focus on a transition to WIOA, as well.

- Sector Strategies/Sector Partnerships
- Career Pathways
- Business Services
- Local Workforce Development Board & Committee Engagement
- Marketing and Outreach

### More information:

Link to the full meeting minutes