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Board Meeting Summary October 15-16, 2015

Council Members Present:

Joe Anzures, Joel Buchanan, Kelly Causey, Dave Csintyan, Annie Davies, Aaron Fernandes, John Fleck, Peggy Gair, Ellen Golombek, Jay Hardy, Ryan Keiffer, Jeanie Larsen, Toya Paynter, Liddy Romero, Kyle Sickman, Paula Swenson, Grover Wallace

Others Present:

State Agency Representatives: Katie Griego, Tricia Johnson, Inta Morris, Chantal Unfug, Susan White
Staff Members: Amy Hodson, Abby Hull, Emily Lesh, Eric Mergens, Mary Probst, Lauren Victor, Stephanie Veck, Lee Wheeler-Berliner
Guests: Clarke Becker, Stephan Britz, Denise Bryant, Dave Carlson, Bill Dowling, Fred Franko, Ryan Gensler, Ann Hutchinson, Evan Hyatt, Senator Linda Newell, Governor Bill Ritter, Casey Sacks, Jim Neubecker, Geniphyr Ponce-Pore

Approval of Agenda and Old Business:

October board MEETING AGENDA approved.
July MEETING MINUTES adopted.

Goals of the Meeting:

1. Learn about the local community.
2. Explore how to engage in sector partnerships, career pathways, and work-based learning.
3. Lay the foundation for the future of our talent development system.
4. Get to know other Council members and have fun!

Northern Colorado Sector Partnership Updates (see "[Healthcare](#)" & "[Manufacturing](#)" slides):

Ann Hutchinson and Evan Hyatt reviewed the evolution of the NoCO Healthcare Sector Partnership and all of the work that went into making it as strong as it now is. Evan and Ann shared best practices and successes to date. Next, Dave Carlson and Geniphyr Ponce-Pore spoke about the NoCO Manufacturing Sector Partnership. Among many successful projects, Geniphyr and Dave spoke about their Sector partnership led Career pathways. The partnership followed the Career Pathway Step-by-Step Guide and found great success.

Business and Schools in Collaboration (BASIC) (see "[BASIC](#)" slides):

Stephanie Veck and Ryan Gensler spoke about BASIC, an initiative presenting work-based learning best practices from the Swiss Apprenticeship system. Recently, the Business Experiential Learning Commission was created by Governor Hickenlooper's Executive Order B 2015-004. This is a business led commission, in partnership with the CWDC, with representation from CDLE, CDHE, and OEDIT. BASIC is going to be piloted through DPS. The BEL Commission will ensure that it is scaled throughout Colorado after ensuring effective implementation and practice through the pilot program.

WIOA State Plan Update (see "[WIOA State Plan Update](#)" slides):

Lee Wheeler-Berliner reviewed the status of our WIOA State Plan. Lee discussed the status of the project including what has been working well, the opportunities to enhance the system that have been identified, and the vision for the future. Lee then discussed the planning sessions, presented the resulting goals, and asked for any feedback.

Local/Regional Plan Policy & State Legislation (see "[WIOA Policy & State Legislation](#)" slides):

Lee explained that after we put together and input our State plan, each local area and planning region will be submitting an aligned local and regional plan to the State. Lee then explained we need to update Colorado's WIA Legislation to align with WIOA. The CWDC is partnering with CCI to provide one bill that looks at all related issues.

Former Governor Ritter's Address to the CWDC:

Governor Ritter is the founder and director of the Center for the New Energy Economy (CNEE). Governor Ritter explained his work and successes at CNEE. The Center is a policy center housed with engineers and social sciences that work on energy issues across disciplines.

Talent Pipeline Report Review and Discussion (see "[Talent Pipeline Report Slides](#) & [Talent Pipeline Report](#)):

Stephanie Veck and Lauren Victor discussed the recently released 2015 Talent Pipeline Report. Stephanie and Lauren reviewed the recommendations included in the report, and the Council gave feedback on potential ways to strengthen the work.

Additional CWDC Business (see proposed bylaws):

Amy Hodson presented the proposed Council bylaws, and went through each update. The formal vote will follow within a virtual meeting.

More information:

[Click here to view the full October 2015 meeting minutes.](#)