



Colorado Workforce
Development Council

BOARD MEETING MAY 19, 2014



FACILITATED DISCUSSION

**Tackling Poverty Together:
Community & Business Leaders Partnering
to Change Lives**



WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Toya Speckman, Chair

- **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
- **APPROVE AGENDA**
 - **April Pre-Work Review**
 - **Work Session: The Role of CWDC in Convening and Supporting Collaborative Work**
 - **Council Business**
 - **Wrap up Reception transition to Sectors Summit**
- **INTRODUCTIONS**



April Pre-Work Review

- **July 17-18 Meeting Location will be hosted by A/D Works in Centennial**
- **Unanimously support for the Colorado Opportunity Pipeline**
- **Website redesign will take be finished in July.**



CWDC STRATEGIC PLAN

The Role of CWDC in Convening and Supporting Collaborative Work



2014 Legislation

- **HB14-1075 Extension of Re-HIRE CO**
- **SB14-015 Hospitality Career Education Grant**
- **SB14-004 Community College Four Year Programs**

- **SB14-205 Talent Pipeline Working Group (SP/CP)**
- **HB14-1085 Adult Education Literacy Act**
- **HB14-1384 Opportunity Scholarship Initiative**



SB14-205 Talent Pipeline Working Group

Requires the CWDC to coordinate the development of a state Talent Pipeline Report

- Utilize the Job Skills report, vetted by industry through sector partnership, evaluation of career pathway development and
- Work with cabinet member to utilize this information for recommendations for advancing Colorado's Talent Pipeline

Relates to CWDC Strategic Plan -- Goal 2:

Establish an integrated system of measurements and outcomes to ensure evidence-based strategic decisions regarding investments in Colorado's talent system.



HB14-1085 Adult Education Literacy Act

Adult education and literacy grant program –
CREATED A LITERACY GRANT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDERS THAT ARE MEMBERS OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIPS THROUGH WHICH ELIGIBLE ADULTS RECEIVE BASIC EDUCATION IN LITERACY AND NUMERACY THAT LEADS TO ADDITIONAL SKILLS ACQUISITION, POSTSECONDARY CREDENTIAL ATTAINMENT, AND EMPLOYMENT.

Relates to CWDC Strategic Plan --

Vision: Every Colorado business has access to a skilled workforce and **every Coloradan has access to meaningful employment**, resulting in statewide economic vitality.

Goal 1: Assess, improve and integrate services and programs supporting business, employment, and education. *{Education & Training Steering Committee – Career Pathways}*



HB14-1384 CO Opportunity Scholarship Initiative

RIGOR BASED TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR STUDENTS AT POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS.

- Utilization of existing funds in the CDHE to create a scholarship program that provides support along with financial resources.
- Utilizes CWDC Executive Committee as the Advisory Board

Relates to CWDC Strategic Plan:

Vision: Every Colorado business has access to a skilled workforce and every Coloradan has access to meaningful employment, resulting in statewide economic vitality.

Mission: To create and sustain a business-led Colorado talent system that appropriately integrates the work of economic development, education, training and workforce development to meet the needs of businesses, students and job-seekers.



HB14-1384 CO Opportunity Scholarship Initiative

Goal 1: Assess, improve and integrate services and programs supporting business, employment, and education.

- Primary goal of this initiative is to better align support services for all students to ensure the best opportunity for informed career pathway planning and access to resources needed for success, not limited to 4 year programs.

Goal 2: Establish an integrated system of measurements and outcomes to ensure evidence - based strategic decisions regarding investments in Colorado's talent system.

- CWDC provided a financial modeling tool that can be used to evaluate the best use of these funds and estimate the required continued investment for success.



HB14-1384 CO Opportunity Scholarship Initiative

Goal 3: Strengthen and fully utilize the CWDC network to ensure active and timely communication, seek and share information on relevant issues, and advance Colorado's talent system.

- This is a state-wide initiative to be successful it will utilize all of CWDC's networks, members, sector partnerships, career pathway work, youth councils, local and state partners.

Goal 4: Utilize the CWDC committees and task-forces to convene partners, increase collaboration, leverage resources and ensure coordination and support of grant opportunities.

- Executive Committee will act as the Advisory Board for this initiative
- Education and Training Steering Committee will work to support the development of the initiative.

Goal 5: Champion the creation of user friendly information sources that provide businesses and individuals with easily accessible information and resources.

- Creation of a statewide aligned framework for understanding and accessing both support and financial resources for career pathway success.



COUNCIL BUSINESS

- **Chair-Elect Appointment Process**
- **PY14 Local Plan Task Group**
- **Preview of July 17-18 Meeting**
- **Reschedule of October Meeting**

