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Workforce Development Board
Kings County Government Center
Administration Building - Multi-Purpose Room

November 3, 2016

10:00 a.m.

AGENDA

- 10:00 **Call to Order/Introductions**
- 10:05 **Approval of Minutes** – September 1, 2016 (Pages 2-4) **ACTION**
- 10:10 **Public Comment and Unscheduled Appearances**
Any person may directly address the Board at this time on any item on the agenda, or on any other items of interest to the public, that is within the jurisdiction of the Board. Five (5) minutes are allowed each item.
- 10:15 **Reports**
 - Career Center Usage Report
- 10:20 **Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act - Update**
 - Local Plan Development
 - Regional Plan Development
 - One-Stop Operator Procurement
 - Memorandum of Understanding, Phase II Development
- 10:40 **Economic Development Report**
- 10:45 **Member Roundtable**
- 11:00 **Unemployment Rate** – (Page 5)
- 11:05 **Business Development Presentation from Annual Dinner**
- 11:15 **Adjournment**

Workforce Investment Board Meetings
Kings County Government Center
Administration Building, Multi-Purpose Room
First Thursday of every other month at 10:00 a.m.

Jan.	Mar	May	July
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10:00 a.m.

Minutes

Members Present

Nancy Silva, Silva Dental (Chair)
Karri Tandy, Lowe's, Proxy for Garrett Barth
Tim Bowers, Office of Education
Sofia Morales, EDD
Erica Mireles, Proteus
Joanne Doerter, Hanford Mall
Kevin Mizner, College of the Sequoias, Proxy for Kristin Robinson
Ronny Jungk, IBEW Local 100
Robert Kleyn, Department of Rehabilitation
Janet Long, Bank of the West
Antonio Martin, Aqua Azul Corporation

Guests

Rosendo Flores, Employment Development Department
Elizabeth Martinez, Employment Development Department
Miryam Frias, Job Training Office

Staff Present

John Lehn, Director
Vince Velo, Program Manager
Cobi Revious, Fiscal Analyst
Claudia Cardenas, Executive Secretary

Call to Order

Chairperson Nancy Silva called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Self-introductions followed.

Approval of Minutes

M/S/C Bowers/Long: To approve the minutes of the May 5, 2016 meeting and the June 16, 2016 meeting.

Public Comment

None

Reports

Career Center Usage Report

Director Lehn provided a summary of the Career Center Usage Report and stated that there were no significant changes from historical trends. An increase to career usage is anticipated in September due to the Kings County Job Fair.

Monitoring Report from Fresno Workforce Investment Board

Director Lehn reviewed the monitoring report from the Pre-Apprenticeship Program contracted through the Fresno Workforce Investment Board. He stated that there were no findings or issues in the report.

**Joint Annual Dinner with Kings County Economic Development Corporation –
October 27, 2016**

Director Lehn stated that the Annual Dinner for the Economic Development Corporation/Job Training Office is scheduled for October 27, 2016 at the Hanford Civic Auditorium; doors will open at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting is expected to conclude at 9:00 a.m.

America’s Promise Regional Grant Application

Director Lehn provided a summary of America’s Promise Regional Grant Application and stated that the regional grant would serve several counties, including Kings, Kern, San Joaquin, and Fresno. If funded, this regional grant would provide training to new and incumbent workers for careers in manufacturing. The application was recently submitted by the Fresno Workforce Board on behalf of the region. Discussion followed.

Policy for Non-Discrimination and Equal Opportunity (Policy 2001-06)

Director Lehn provided information regarding the revisions to the Workforce Board Policy for Non-Discrimination and Equal Opportunity (2001-06). Staff recommended that the revisions to the policy be accepted and approved.

M/S/C Bowers/Jungk: To accept and approve the revision to the Workforce Board Policy for Non-Discrimination and Equal Opportunity (Policy 2001-06).

Agreement with Tulare County Superintendent of Schools – Career Pathway Trust Grant

Director Lehn provided information on the Career Pathway Trust Grant and stated that it is an agreement with the Tulare County Superintendent of Schools. Mr. Lehn summarized how the grant provides for the coordination of employer engagement and involvement in the educational arena. The Job Training Office would coordinate this effort along with the Kings County Office of Education, and would contribute knowledge of the workplace for specific career pathways coordinated through High Schools in Kings County. The grant would be in the amount of \$30,000. Staff recommended that the agreement be submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

M/S/C Long/Doerter: To authorize the JTO Director to submit the Agreement with the Tulare County Superintendent of Schools to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

Abstain: Tim Bowers

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act - Update

Director Lehn provided an update of the local and regional activity surrounding the implementation of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), including regional planning, performance goal setting, One-Stop Operator selection, and the ‘System’ partner meeting. Discussion followed.

- Regional Planning - Director Lehn stated that eight counties received two grants to coordinate regional planning in Central California. A firm has been selected to assist in the collection of regional data and to write the regional WIOA plan.
- Performance Goal Setting - Director Lehn provided members with a handout reflecting the WIOA Performance Goals for Program Year 2016/2017 and Program Year 2017/2018. Mr. Lehn stated there are no penalties if performance levels are not satisfied for program year 2016/2017, as this will be the initial term of WIOA and is intended as the baseline period. Negotiated performance levels must be met in program year 2017/2018.

- One-Stop Operator – Director Lehn stated that the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act does not allow the same entity to be the One-Stop Operator and also run programs. The designation of the One-Stop Operator is still pending. More information will be provided as it becomes available.
- ‘System’ Partner Meeting - Director Lehn stated that participation is not restricted to those included as Partners in the Local Area Memorandum of Understanding. The focus of the ‘System’ Partner Meeting has been on how to coordinate, plan, and address issues/concerns for employers, incumbent workers, and job seekers.

Economic Development Report

Director Lehn provided a summary on the current economic development activities within Kings County.

Member Roundtable

- Ronnie Jungk provided information about solar projects throughout the valley and stated that IBEW personnel continue to stay busy.
- Robert Kleyn stated that the Department of Rehabilitation continues to stay updated with WIOA changes.
- Sofia Morales stated that Employment Development Department has implemented the Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment program which now also serves Veterans.
- Joanne Doerter stated that the Five Guys Burger Restaurant will be open in September and that Pielogy will open shortly after. Dunkin Donuts is currently in its permit approval process at the City.
- Karri Tandy stated that Lowes is doing well and that they are still hiring.

Unemployment Rate

Rosendo Flores, EDD, provided information on the unemployment rate for Kings County.

	July 2016	June 2016	July 2015
	Preliminary	Revised	
Labor Force	59,800	58,000	59,600
Employed	54,100	52,500	53,800
Unemployed	5,700	5,900	5,800
Rate	9.6%	10.2%	9.7%

Adjournment

With no further business, Chair Nancy Silva adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

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Kings County Workforce Development Board
November 3, 2016
Meeting Back up

Reports: The Career Center Usage report for the period ending October 2016 will be distributed and discussed at your meeting.

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Update: The WIOA local area plan as well as the regional plan is in development at this time. Along with these concurrent activities, the proposal package for the procurement of the One-Stop Operator is also in development. The Local Area Plan and the Regional Plan will be brought to the Workforce Board at your January meeting. Phase II of the WIOA Memorandum Of Understanding is currently in development and will likely be brought back to the Workforce Board at your March or May meeting. All these items will be briefed by Director Lehn at your meeting.

Economic Development Report: This report will be presented at your meeting. Members are encouraged to share information regarding their area of representation.

Unemployment Rate:

	September 2016	August 2016	September 2015
	Preliminary	Revised	
Labor Force	58,500	58,500	58,100
Employed	53,600	53,300	53,300
Unemployed	4,900	5,200	4,800
Rate	8.3%	8.9%	8.2%

Business Development Presentation: The PowerPoint presentation on economic activity from the past year will be provided for those unable to make the annual meeting by Director Lehn.