



**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
& WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

Alaska Workforce Investment Board

Executive Committee

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

May 11, 2021

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MINUTES

THE VISION for the Alaska Workforce Investment Board is “building connections that put Alaskans into good jobs.”

MISSION: To provide leadership and recommend policy, direction and accountability standards to get Alaskans into jobs.

Call to Order x Brenda Pacarro, AWIB Chair; x Mari Selle, Vice-Chair; x Marcus Trivette, WREP Chair; x , Brenda Pacarro, Legislative Chair; x Anthony Ladd, AE Chair; Corey Baxter; Policy and Planning Chair

Meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m.

Rut Ocasio-Lopez called roll; a quorum was present.

Introduction of other participants..... Greg Cashen

Anne Velardi, Program Coordinator
Mary Rowland, Grants Administrator
Rut (Root) Ocasio-Lopez, Grants Administrator
Shane Bannarbie, Program Coordinator
Xavien Phillips, Program Coordinator
Greg Cashen, Assistant Director

Approval of Agenda..... Chair Pacarro

Motion to approve by Marcus Trivette
Second by Mari Selle
Discussion – none
Opposition - none
Motion carries

Action Item(s)..... Chair Pacarro

April 13, 2021 AWIB Meeting Minutes.

Motion to approve by Marcus Trivette
Second by Mari Selle
Discussion - none
Opposition - none
Motion carries

Approval of June 23-24 business meeting public testimony time

The public testimony time needs to be determined for the public notice which will be posted May 23, 2021.

Motion to approve by Marcus Trivette

Second by Mari Selle

Discussion – none

Opposition – none

Motion carries

Approval of AWIB Proposed By-law changes

Chair Pacarro indicated the proposed by-law changes were presented at the April 13, 2021 Executive Committee meeting. The purpose of proposed changes are for housekeeping items such as updating the language for the process of election of officers; include private sector members to be eligible to run for chair or vice chair which is in line with WIOA; and clarify the roles of the AWIB committees to reflect priorities in WIOA and the Department Of Labor & Workforce Development (DOLWD).

Motion to approve by Marcus Trivette

Second by Anthony Ladd

Discussion – Marcus asked if the proposed changes will go to the full board. Assistant Director Cashen recommended the Executive Committee approves then the proposed changes goes to the full board. Chair Pacarro indicated the by-laws will go the full board for approval. The draft agenda for the full board meeting needs to be amended to add the approval of the proposed by-law changes. Assistant Director Cashen mentioned the TVEP proposed regulations changes needs to be added as well.

Opposition – none

Motion carries

**Discussion Item(s).....Greg Cashen
AWIB Grants Unit/Apprenticeship Update**

Assistant Director Cashen reported the AWIB applied for a 4 million dollar apprenticeship grant and we are hopeful that we will be awarded.

Anne Velardi indicated the grants unit has three apprenticeship grants. American Apprenticeship Initiative (AAI) and Apprenticeship State Expansion (ASE) focuses in healthcare apprenticeships. State Apprenticeship Expansion (SAE) closed April 30, 2021. Alaska Primary Care Association assisted the grant unit in getting apprentices. There has been an increase in interest in apprenticeship.

Assistant Director Cashen thanked board members for their time in reviewing STEP applications which will be sent to the Commissioner for review and approval. There are 14 WIOA Youth applications and will be reviewed this week on Thursday and Friday. Grant agreements for TVEP and ACA will be implemented as soon as the legislature approves the budget.

Marcus asked if the board members will have the opportunity to review the final spreadsheet prior to the Commissioners review. Assistant Director Cashen stated the board would see the final award amounts.

AWIB June 23-24, 2021 Business Meeting Agenda

Chair Pacarro mentioned the next board meeting will be an in person meeting held in Fairbanks on June 23-24, 2021. Assistant Director Cashen outlined the agenda briefly and indicated the meeting will be held at the Westmark Hotel.

The members suggested the report from Research and Analysis focus on tourism and apprenticeship. Anthony suggested to have Kyle Kaiser, Director of the Viper Transition, present in the Apprenticeship in Alaska presentations. He will email Executive Director Dean and Assistant Director Cashen with Kyle's information. Everyone agreed with Committee reports being included in AWIB update. In addition, the committee indicated additional time is needed for action items which should include the proposed by-law changes and TVEP proposed regulation changes.

Other Business

None

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Marcus Trivette

Second by Mari Selle

Discussion - none

Opposition - none

Motion carries

Adjourn at 2:09 PM

Next Executive Committee Meeting – June 8, 2021