

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT SAN FRANCISCO

Local Workforce Investment Board for the City and County of San Francisco

Draft Minutes of
September 8, 2021
Meeting of the

Workforce Investment San Francisco (WISF)

Meeting held via teleconference pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-25-20 and Mayor Breed's Third Supplement to Mayoral Proclamation Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency Dated February 25, 2020

WISF Members Present	Kevin Carroll, Hospital Council Jeanine Cotter, Luminalt Solar Energy Corp. Angela Tamayo, SEIU-UHW Ann Weeby, Salesforce Bob Nibbi, Nibbi Brothers Charley Lavery, OE Local 3 Cynthia Gomez, UNITE HERE Local 2 Edward Battista, Sutter Health Jeffrey Chiu, UCSF Jorge Tapia, CA Employment Development Dept. Julie Fallon, Marriott Hotels Lori Dunn-Guion, Swinerton Lynn Mahoney, SF State University	Meghan Mitchell, Civic Action Labs Michon Coleman, Hospital Council of Northern & Central California Safiya Miller, Microsoft Corporation Sam Rodriguez, Rodriguez Strategic Partners, LLC Shamann Walton, San Francisco Board of Supervisors Shanell Williams, City College Board of Trustees Theresa Woo, CA Dept. of Rehabilitation Tony Delorio, Local Union No. 665 Vikrum Aiyer, Postmates
WISF Members Absent	John Doherty, IBEW Local 6 Rafael Mandelman, San Francisco Board of Supervisors	Ramon Hernandez, Laborers Local 261
Announcements & Housekeeping <i>(Discussion Item)</i>	Iris Rollins (OEWD) opened the meeting by reciting the Ramaytush Ohlone Land Acknowledgement and reviewing the meeting guidelines.	
Chair's Welcome & Roll Call <i>(Discussion Item)</i>	Kevin Carroll, WISF Chair, introduced himself and called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM. Mr. Carroll welcomed the members. Chair Carroll called on Iris Rollins to conduct roll call. Ms. Rollins announced that a quorum was present.	
Adoption of the Agenda <i>(Action Item)</i>	Chair Carroll asked for a motion to adopt the meeting agenda. Ms. Cotter made the motion which was seconded by Mr. Tapia and passed unanimously.	
Adoption of the Minutes from June 9, 2021 Meeting <i>(Action Item)</i>	Chair Carroll asked for a motion to approve meeting minutes from June 9, 2021. Ms. Woo made the motion which was seconded by Mr. Rodriguez and passed unanimously.	
OEWD Director's Remarks <i>(Discussion Item)</i>	Chair Carroll introduces Director Kate Sofis. On behalf of Director Sofis in absentia, Workforce Director Joshua Arce expresses gratitude for the work of the WISF board.	

**OEWD Workforce
Director's Remarks**
(Discussion Item)

Chair Carroll introduces Workforce Director Joshua Arce. Director Arce speaks to the high community engagement with the WISF board. Director Arce presents labor market information with a year-over-year comparison from July 2020 to July 2021, and a pre- and post-pandemic analysis from December 2019 to July 2021. Labor market information from California Employment Development Division demonstrates a decrease in estimated unemployment to 5.2% in July 2021 and a significant increase in hospitality jobs from July 2020 to July 2021.

OEWD is partnering with the Human Rights Commission on a Dream Keeper Job Fair the week of this meeting. Director Arce speaks to new pilot training programs in emergency medical services, and other initiatives supported by the Dream Keeper Initiative.

OEWD soft-launched the Workforce Link job matching system online (www.workforcelinksf.org).

The Workforce Division budget for FY 21-22 finalized at \$42.1 million due to a \$6 million annualized investment, which included support for the COVID resource hubs, pilot programs, Dream Keeper investments, City initiatives, and others.

FY 2019-20 Citywide Workforce Services Inventory results released, and it is available on OEWD's Reports and Plans website.

CityBuild hosted its 15th Anniversary Celebration and has trained over a thousand participants.

Chair Carroll opens the floor for questions.

Member Ayer inquires whether workforce investments have informed changes in the unemployment rate and who has benefited from investments. Director Arce indicates that OEWD has developed efficiencies to better serve the provider community and the labor force.

**WISF Member
Spotlight – Shanell
Williams**
(Discussion Item)

Chair Carroll introduces Member Shanell Williams, President of the City College Board of Trustees.

Member Williams describes her background, history, and experience with City College of San Francisco, Human Rights Commission, Youth Commission, and community-based organizations.

Chair Carroll opens the floor for questions.

**Economic
Recovery Program
Spotlight –
CityBuild Moscone
Center Special
Training**
(Discussion Item)

Chair Carroll introduces Omar Del Real, Senior Program Manager from Mission Hiring Hall and Ashley Cheng, Executive Director from Charity Cultural Services Center (CCSC). Director Arce introduces Director Nim to provide background on the CityBuild COVID-19 Moscone Center Special Training. Up to 1,500 union workers were laid off at Moscone Convention Center during the COVID-19 pandemic, and OEWD secured funding to provide COVID-19 special trainings for 200 - 400 dislocated workers. The program aligned with San Francisco Labor Council to quickly create a skill enhancement training program. San Francisco Laborer's Council, IATSE Local 16, Sign and Display Local 510, SEIU-USWW, Teamsters Local 2785, and UNITE-HERE Local 2 participated. Mission Hiring Hall and Charity Cultural Services Center administered the program and created digital enrollment and information resources. The first cohort launched in August 2020. Charity Cultural Services Center added security guard card training and accelerated vocational English training.

Member Gomez thanks the presenters for their excellent work and expresses the ongoing needs of Moscone workers.

Vice-Chair Cotter thanks the presenters for making sure workers do not drop off after separation and for the programs mobilizing so quickly. Chair Carroll echoes the need for continued contact with industry for workers after separation from an employer.

Member Fallon asks whether English fluency of long-tenured Moscone workers was different from existing client population. Executive Director Cheng indicated that workers needed additional support, and CCSC created vocational English as a Second Language curriculum to fill gaps.

Member Ayer indicates that American Civil Liberties Union is involved in federal budget negotiations and he can support with advocating for workforce earmarks.

**Public Comment
on Non-Agenda
Items**
(Discussion Item)

Chair Carroll opened the meeting up for public comment on non-agenda items.

Brett Berning, City College of San Francisco, asks what industries are in OEWD's Emerging Industries portfolio and what is the status of CityGrow?

Director Arce indicated that the Emerging Industries portfolio includes an essential human services work pilot with Episcopal Community Services for people experiencing homelessness, CityDrive transportation training with FACES and Mission Hiring Hall, post-COVID custodial services with Young Community Developers and Self-Help for the Elderly, and advanced manufacturing with SFMADE. The CityGrow ordinance requires OEWD to certify a pre-apprenticeship program connected to a state apprenticeship program, and OEWD has not received a proposal for one.

Adjournment
(Action Item)

Chair Carroll called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Williams made the motion which was seconded by Member Cotter and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 A.M.