### Workforce Investment San Francisco

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

Minutes Of The
December 9, 2015
Meeting of the
Workforce Investment San Francisco (WISF) Board
Hotel Whitcomb
1231 Market Street, San Francisco, CA 94103

#### WISF Members Present

Andrew Lindsay, Jawbone
Ann Weeby (for Ebony Frelix), Salesforce.org
Anthony Urbina, Sheet Metal Workers Local
104
Barbara Smith, San Francisco Housing
Authority
Bob Nibbi, Nibbi Bros. Construction
Brian Morton, Webcor Builders
Charley Lavery, Operating Engineers Local 3
David Johnson, Plasterers and Cement Masons
Local 300
Donnalyn Murphy (for Gwyneth Borden),
Golden Gate Restaurant Association

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Jeanine Cotter, Luminalt
John Doherty, IBEW Local 6
Kevin Carroll, Hotel Council of San Francisco
Laura Moran, San Francisco Unified School
District

Malia Cohen, San Francisco Board of **Supervisors** Micki Callahan, San Francisco Department of Human Resources Ramon Hernandez, Laborers, Local 261 Renee Willette (for Juliet Ellis), San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Robert Reed (for Paul Giusti), Recology Ruben Santana, Rubecon Construction Ted Egan, City of San Francisco Controller's Office Theresa Woo, Department of Rehabilitation Tiffany Apczynski, Zendesk Tony Lugo (for Trent Rhorer), Human Services Agency Toni Rucker, San Francisco Department of

**Public Health** 

#### WISF Members Absent

Arthur Tyler, City College of San Francisco
Barbara Garcia, Department of Public Health
Celeste Alleyne, Microsoft
Clearnise Bullard, JobCorps Northern CA
Outreach and Recruitment
Egon Terplan, SPUR
Jeff Fanselow, CBS Interactive
Jorge Tapia, Employment Development
Department
Katy Johnson, Wells Fargo
Kent Lim, Kent Lim Construction
Ku-Tsang Lin, Kaiser Permanente
Manuel Flores, Carpenters Local 22

Naomi Kelly, Office of the City
Administrator
Ontario Smith, PG&E
Rebecca Miller, SEIU-United Healthcare
West
Rodrigo Santos, Santos & Urrutia Structural
Engineering
Sam Rodriguez, KSR Strategy Group
Sandy White, LinkedIn
Sylvia Kwan, Kwan-Henmi
Architecture/Planning
Tom Quigley, Riverbed Technology
Trent Rhorer, Human Services Agency
Ximena Delgado, Bank of America

## OEWD Staff & Notables

Armina Brown, Administrative Assistant David Walker, Workforce Development Specialist

John Halpin, Director of Program Operations Lillie Ellison, Business Services Manager Lowell Rice, Business Services Specialist Mandisa Lyons, Administrative Aid Marc Majors, CityBuild Academy Manager May Ng, Business Services Specialist
Michael Carr, Director of Workforce
Monique Forster, Senior Workforce
Development Specialist
Nikki Tosiello, Business Services Specialist
Patrick Mitchell, Senior Community
Development Specialist
Pat Mulligan, Director of CityBuild
Ruth Sappelt, Senior Workforce Analyst

#### **Public**

(As Evidenced by the Sign-In Sheet)

Beth Urfer, Jewish Vocational Service

Brett Berning, Manpower

Cecilia Liang, Charity Cultural Services Center

Craig Lahti, Larkin Street David Do, AllinSF.com

David Tam, Employment Development

Department

Derek Toliver, PACT, Inc.

Diva Conrad, City College of San Francisco Dorick Scarpelli, Five Keys Charter School Gabriel Garcia, Employment Development

Department Ian Fernando, SunRun

Joe Ramirez-Forcier, Positive Resource Center

Jorge Villalobos, Employment Development

Department
Jose Repelily, Rubecon

Katie Cruz, BAYCAT

Katy Fitzsimmons, Wells Fargo

Kim Coulthurst, Pathways Consultants Lily Wong, Communities United for Health

& Justice

Maureen Sedonaen, Goodwill Industries

Nate Williams, LinkedIn

Miguel Oaks, Hospitality House Raul

Galvan, Department of

Richard Scott, Goodwill Industries

Symantha Chapman, Positive Resource Center

Teresa Chan, Chinatown Access Point

Terry Goodwin, Best Buddies

Terri Feeley, Self

Winnie Yu, Self-Help for the Elderly

Umber Ahmed, Bay Area Medical Academy

#### **Roll Call**

Kevin Carroll, WISF Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:11 A.M. He invited members to introduce themselves.

# Adoption of Agenda (Action Item)

On motion by Charley Lavery, seconded and carried, the agenda was unanimously adopted.

# Approval of Minutes from September 16, 2015

(Action Item)

On motion by Charley Lavery, seconded and carried, the minutes of the September 16, 2015 WISF meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

### Director's Report

(Discussion Item)

Mr. Carroll invited Workforce Director Michael Carr to deliver the Director's Report.

#### **Staff Transition**

Mr. Carr announced the resignation of Strategic Initiatives Director, Greg Asay and acknowledged his hard work and efforts with the WISF board and commitment to workforce.

**OEWD, DCYF & HSA Alignment** 

Mr. Carr discussed the importance and continued alignment of workforce with other city departments, such as DCYF and HSA. OEWD will clarify and understand the populations, identify what types of services the City can provide, coordinate data systems, and OEWD and DCYF will plan to align grant funding.

#### **Grant Funding**

Mr. Carr announced that OEWD received approximately \$4 million in grant funding, which includes the Career California Pathways Trust Grant for \$1 million with CCSF and SFUSD. Additionally, OEWD was funded \$3 Million for the American Apprenticeship Grant, which will assist in the creation of entry to mid-level jobs.

#### Launchpad

The purpose of Launchpad is to create a workforce system that better assists service providers in matching their clients with jobs, offer workforce services, and track their candidates in order to make a data driven decision, and to help increase collaboration with Mayor's Office, DCYF, and HSA. Additionally, to improve First Source Hiring with a projected timeline of the second Quarter of 2016.

Mr. Carr asked Patrick Mulligan, Director of CityBuild, to give an update on CityBuild activities.

#### **CityBuild Activities**

Patrick Mulligan, Director of CityBuild, presented an update on the CityBuild graduation, which will be held on December 21, 2015 at the SF Jazz Center at 5:30pm with celebration of the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of CityBuild. The graduation will include two cycles with 100 graduates.

The following projects are upcoming or ongoing in San Francisco: Treasure Island, Park Merced, 5M Project, Warriors, Hunters Point Shipyard and Candlestick Point, Pier 70, Salesforce Tower, Central Subway and Transbay Transit Center.

Mr. Carroll thanked Greg Asay, Strategic Initiatives Director, for his work with the WISF Board.

Mr. Carroll invited Ted Egan, Chief Economist, City and County of San Francisco, to present on the San Francisco economy. Highlights included:

#### **Sector Growth**

Presentation: San Francisco Economic Update (Discussion Item) No sign of a slowdown and the long term trend is rapid growth. Overall there is job growth in every sector. Information Technology is driving the bulk of job growth and continues to grow at 5% a year. The slowest growing sector is Financial Services at 1.5% a year. Education and Health Sectors have dropped to 2.5% a year, but Construction remains to be at 5% a year. Performance of NASDAQ is tied to San Francisco economy. 90% of the changes in the San Francisco economy can be tied to NASDAQ.

#### **Unemployment and Housing**

The City's unemployment rate has dropped to under 3% which is extremely low. Businesses have limited opportunity to fill jobs locally due to physical constraints on business expansion as space in San Francisco is a challenge even if overall economic climate is healthy. Recruiting challenges with average San Francisco home is at \$1.1 million.

#### **Factors Affecting Continued Growth**

The United States unemployment rate is 5% and wages are rising nationally. Local Technology Sector risk is rising and overheating, and by extension the whole economy. The constraints with local infrastructure will lead to a slowdown in the tech sector or broader economy.

Discussion followed.

Renee Willette from the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission requested Mr. Egan if the Economic Update can be broken down by zip code, race, and ethnicity in the future to best see who's being left behind.

Mr. Carroll invited John Halpin, Director of Program Operations, to present on the Information and Communications Technology Sector.

#### Presentation: Sector Spotlight ICT (Discussion Item)

#### **ICT Sector Spotlight**

Mr. Halpin spoke on the history of TechSF and its creation to train San Franciscans with the skills needed to succeed in this economy. Over one thousand participants have found employment and internships through TechSF since it started in 2012 and services a very diverse population in regards to gender, age, and ethnicity.

Mr. Halpin shared the TechSF sector partnerships model and invited a few TechSF partners to share and discuss their role. Annie Tahtinen, Talent Scout at Bay Area Video Coalition (BAVC); Katy Cruz, Vice President of Programs and Operations at Bayview Center for Art and Technology (BAYCAT); Nathan Williams from LinkedIn; Tiffany Apczynski from Zendesk; and Andrew Lindsay from Jawbone presented. Other sectors like Healthcare, Banking, Retail, in addition to partnerships in the public sector, benefit from TechSF.

Mr. Halpin announced that TechSF was recognized by the White House Tech Hire Initiative in March and have received a \$3 million American Apprenticeship Grant in September and will be applying for an additional \$4 to \$5 million through the Tech Hire Grant solicitation. OEWD and partners have been able to get roughly \$2.5 million per year for TechSF.

Mr. Halpin highlighted Career California Pathways Trust to build pathways for high school and community college students to advanced training, work-based learning, internships and jobs.

Patrick Mitchell, TechSF Program Manager, presented on the TechSF Accelerator objectives, goals and commitments for Tech Hire. Mr. Mitchell shared that TechSF has been able to expand and continue through fund development. Under the American Apprenticeship Grant, TechSF was one of 24 out of 46 grantees in ICT. The grant provides \$3 million over five years that allows upscaling of 300 employees, of new and existing employees, with combined online classroom training and on the job learning and provides funding for both preapprenticeship and registered apprenticeship occupational skills training. TechSF is focused on those underrepresented populations prioritized by the Department of Labor.

Main objectives of TechSF Accelerator: (1)Target jobseekers that are underrepresented; (2) upscale existing workers to advance in their job; (3) link boot camps to higher education

institutions to create more holistic learning experience that meet registered apprenticeship requirements and also provide college credit.

Discussion followed.

# Public Comment (Discussion Item)

Mr. Carroll called for public comment.

There was no public comment.

# Adjournment (Action Item)

Mr. Carroll called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. On motion by John Doherty, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 10:52 A.M.