



## MEETING AGENDA

### **Mother Lode Workforce Development Board**

Thursday, May 18, 2017 (12:00pm - 2:00pm)  
Mother Lode Job Training Career Center  
197 Mono Way, Suite B, Sonora, CA 95370

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#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

- 1.1. Roll call / Establish quorum
- 1.2. Introduction of guests
- 1.3. Approval of agenda

#### **2. CONSENT CALENDAR**

*All items under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be approved in one action without discussion. If a Board member requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar or a citizen wishes to speak on an item, the item will be considered under Action Items.*

- 2.1. Any Consent Calendar items need to move to Action Items?
- 2.2. Accept the February 16, 2017 meeting minutes

#### **3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*The Mother Lode Workforce Development Board welcomes public comments. A member of the public may comment on agenda items or any item that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board, even though subject matter may not be on the agenda. The Chair will limit the time allocated for each individual public speaker to no more than five (5) minutes.*

#### **4. ACTION ITEMS**

- 4.1. Approve and sign Local and Regional Plans
- 4.2. Approve Local Area Grant Recipient Listing (updated)
- 4.3. Select One-Stop Operator

#### **5. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 5.1. Executive Director's report
- 5.2. WDB membership
- 5.3. Career Pathways

#### **6. NEXT MEETING: Thursday, August 17, 2017**

- 6.1. Future Agenda Items/New Business

#### **7. ADJOURNMENT**

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Meeting Minutes  
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<b>Member</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Michelle Watkins		X
Tim Hildabrand	X	
Ben Hulet		X
Frank Leschinsky	X	
Kyle Stivers	X	
Mark Borchin		X
Tyler Newton	X	
Debra Rockwood	X	
Bill Petrone	X	
James Wood		X
Margie Bulkin		X
Klaus Tenbergen		X
Brandon Price	X	
Larry Cope	X	
Lorraine Perry		X
Mahalia Gotico		X
<b>Ex Officio Members</b>		
Dave Thoeny	X	
Rebecca Espino	X	
Shelly Hance		X
Rebecca Mendibles		X
Velma Whitebear		X
<b>Guests</b>		
Brandon Price	X	
Darren Lockwood	X	
Nati Martinez	X	
Angela Fairchilds	X	
<b>Staff</b>		
Larry Gianni	X	
Amy Torres	X	

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by Larry Gianni

**Approved as Invited Temporary Presiding Officer (M) L. Cope (S) Tyler Newton**

Roll call completed by A. Torres – quorum present

1.1. Guests were introduced

1.2. Agenda was approved

**Agenda approved (M) D. Rockwood (S) Tyler Newton ayes carried 8 absent**

**2. CONSENT CALENDAR**

2.1. *Any Consent Calendar items need to move to Action Items?*

None

2.2. Accept the November 17, 2016 meeting minutes

**Minutes accepted (M) L. Cope (S) Tyler Newton ayes carried 8 absent**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**4. ACTION ITEMS**

4.1. Modify On-the-Job Training (OJT) policy, increasing allowable reimbursement from 50-75%, aligning with State and Federal guidelines.

D. Thoeny addressed the WDB and led discussion regarding the benefits of this modification for both employers and job seekers.

**Modification to On-the-Job Training policy allowing up to 75% reimbursement approved. (M) L. Cope (S) Tyler Newton ayes carried 8 absent**

4.2. Modify Incumbent Worker Training policy, increasing allowable reimbursement from 50-90%, aligning with State and Federal guidelines.

D. Thoeny addressed the WDB and led discussion regarding the benefits of this modification for local employers. L. Cope commented regarding the positive affects this program has recently had on a local employer, who is now looking at bringing additional jobs to the area.

**Modification to Incumbent Worker Training policy allowing up to 90% reimbursement approved. (M) Tyler Newton (S) L. Cope ayes carried 8 absent**

4.3. Authorize MLJT Executive Director to approve changes to program policies and procedures.

D. Thoeny addressed the WDB on the intent to be more nimble as an agency, and led discussion on the benefits of the authorization.

**Authorization given to MLJT Executive Director to approve changes to program policies and procedures, with a report subsequently provided to the Board on any significant changes. (M) K. Stivers (S) F. Leschinsky**

**5. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

5.1. Executive Director's Report

D. Thoeny showed MLJT Career Center visits at a 30% increase in just the first month of opening the Career Centers on Fridays. D. Thoeny presented reports showing quarterly progress of MLJT's WIOA Programs, outreach efforts such as the agency's social media presence via Facebook and a radio interview on Jobs and Economy, with D. Thoeny and L. Cope, on Mother Lode Views. D. Thoeny led discussion on the beginning of MOU Phase II and the importance of collaboration at the local level. D. Thoeny provided update regarding MLJT's co-location of the Calaveras Career Center with the Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development in Calaveras County Business Resource Center, and reported the estimated cost savings to the Board. Board requested an updated Business Services Flyer that showcases the Business Services offered by MLJT within the next month or two.

5.2. Strategic Plan & WDB Role

D. Thoeny addressed the WDB on the development and public posting of the Regional and Local Plans for public comment. D. Thoeny and the Board acknowledged L. Yanni for his major contribution to the timely completion of the plans which, after public comment completion, are due at the State Capital on March 15, 2017. D. Thoeny included how the Regional and Local Plans are strategically aligned with the Economic Development Plan and Columbia College's Strong Workforce Plan. D. Thoeny addressed the Board on the RFP that is going out for the One Stop Operator, and explained the role of this new position. D. Thoeny led discussion on joining forces with our partners, the top five industry sectors, career pathways, increased focus on serving businesses, the supply and demand of workforce development, and the role of the Board.

5.3. WDB Membership Update

D. Thoeny addressed the WDB regarding the two Board vacancies, and led discussion on filling those seats with representation from Businesses in our identified top industry sectors. The Board identified Construction and Natural Resources as the industry sectors needed to round out the Board.

**6. NEXT MEETING:** Thursday, May 18, 2017

**7. ADJOURNMENT**