



**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
& WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

**Alaska Workforce Investment Board
Executive Committee**

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

January 11, 2022

907-202-7104 Phone Conference ID 132 33 267#

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

The meeting was called to order at 1:37 p.m.

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

Introduction of other participants.....Rut Ocasio-Lopez

Kyla Pomrenke, Acting Executive Director
Greg Cashen, Assistant Director
Anne Velardi, Program Coordinator
Rut (Root) Ocasio-Lopez, Grants Administrator
Shane Bannarbie, Program Coordinator
David Grosshuesch, Administrative Assistant

Approval of Agenda.....Vice Chair Selle

Motion to approve by – Anthony Ladd
Second by – Marcus Trivette
Discussion - None
Opposition - None
Motion carries

Action Item(s).....Vice Chair Selle

Approval of December 14, 2021, AWIB Executive Committee meeting minutes

Motion to approve by – Marcus Trivette
Second by – Anthony Ladd
Discussion – None
Opposition – None
Motion carries



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Approval of the updated Technical Vocational Education Program (TVEP) report

Motion to approve by – Marcus Trivette

Second by – Anthony Ladd

Discussion –

Assistant Director Cashen discussed the deadline for the TVEP report and mentioned that we are on track. The wage data will always be a year behind due to the amount of data that needs to be collected. The staff was thanked for the hard work and keeping success stories in the report.

Opposition – None

Motion carries

Discussion Item(s).....Vice Chair Selle

AWIB Grants Unit/ Apprenticeship Update.....Anne Velardi/Greg Cashen

Assistant Director Cashen indicated the RGAs for State Training and Employment Program (STEP) and Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth will go out at the beginning of next month.

Anne Velardi reported on the apprenticeship program and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) grants. We asked for an extension of the Apprenticeship State Expansion (ASE) grant due to COVID-19. The State Apprenticeship Expansion, Equity, and Innovation (SAEEI) grant is about ready to be distributed. The apprenticeship website needs to be updated.

Acting Executive Pomrenke provided a brief overview of the Good Jobs Challenge grant opportunity. The deadline for submittal was extended to February 10, 2022.

February 24, 2022 AWIB Meeting Draft Agenda.....Rut Ocasio-Lopez

Vice Chair Selle mentioned the meeting will be held virtually via Microsoft teams. The members agreed to leave the public testimony at 10:45 a.m. for 15 minutes. Also, they will email Acting Executive Director Pomrenke with suggested guest speakers.

Other Business –

None

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by – Anthony Ladd

Second by – Corey Baxter

Discussion - None

Opposition - None

Motion carries

Adjourn at 2:04 p.m.

Next Executive Committee Meeting – February 8, 2022