

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING PINAL COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD ACTION LEGAL SUMMARY

Thursday, March 20, 2025

2:00 PM - CALL TO ORDER

## PINAL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX CONFERENCE ROOM (1st FLOOR)

**135 N. PINAL STREET** 

**FLORENCE, AZ 85132** 

#### 1. Roll Call and Introductions

Meeting called to order at 2:00 PM

#### **Members Present:**

- 1. Harold Christ
- 2. Jackob Andersen (Zoom)
- 3. Richard Wilkie (Zoom)
- 4. Andrew Clegg (Zoom)
- **5.** Mike Cruz (Zoom)
- **6.** Joel Villegas
- 7. Mary Fleck (Zoom)
- 8. Jack Beveridge (Zoom)
- 9. Logen Kelly
- 10. Sean Salveson
- 11. Samuel Kolapo (Zoom)
- 12. Wallin Gustin
- 13. Stacey Rich (Zoom)
- 14. Erica Ballesteros (Zoom)
- 15. Solomon Galyon (Zoom)

**Quorum Met** 

#### **Members Absent:**

- 1. Susan Aguilar
- 2. Lynn Parsons
- 3. Todd Thomas
- 4. Joshua Paine
- 5. Bryan Seppala
- 6. Jim Garrett
- 7. Christina Rothlisberger

## **Staff Present:**

- Joel Millman
- Moriah Robles
- Carrie Fike
- Shannon McHenry
- Laura Loiacono

- **2. CONSENT AGENDA**: All items indicated by an asterisk (\*) will be handled by a single vote as part of the consent agenda, unless a Board Member, Board Staff, or member of the public objects at the time the agenda item is called.
  - \*a. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the February 20, 2025 Pinal County Workforce Development Board Regular Meeting Minutes.
  - \*b. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the ARIZONA@WORK Pinal County Programmatic and Fiscal Monitoring and Data Validation Policy..
  - \*c. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the revised ARIZONA@WORK Pinal County Rapid Response Policy.
  - \*d. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the recommendation to appoint Brian Stoner of eCube Solutions, LLC (Business Sector) Term of Service: April 3, 2025 through April 2, 2027.

#### Item e. pulled by Harold Christ

Motion Entered in by: Solomon Galyon

Second by: Logen Kelly

Item Action: Approved

- \*e. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the Partner Program Reports
  - 1. Adult/Dislocated Worker Program
    - Sonia Cortez provided an overview on the progress of the Adult Probation "Intentional Design of Justice Involved Career Pathways" that was launched in February 2024. To date 74 participants have been enrolled with 8 successfully graduated.
  - 2. Youth Program
  - 3. One Stop Operator

Motion Entered in by: Wallin Gustin

Second by: Logen Kelly

Item Action: Approved

**3. Discussion/approval/disapproval** of an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for strategic planning services per the scope of work approved by the PCWDB on January 16, 2025.

PCWDB Staff have received two quotes that are still under evaluation.

Motion Entered in by: Joel Villegas

Second by: Logen Kelly

Item Action: Approved

**4. Discussion/approval/disapproval** of an amount not to exceed \$80,000 of Rapid Response funding for services outlined in the Request for Quote/Scope of Work to provide assistance to employees impacted by a mass layoff.

Joel Millman shared a brief update on the announcement of this year's ARIZONA@WORK Pinal County's allocation for the Rapid Response funding to be used for the recent mass layoff. Moriah Robles serves as the ARIZONA@WORK Pinal County Rapid Response Coordinator and is working on a plan to provide a series of activities to those who have been affected by the layoff. Request for Quotes are being reviewed.

Motion Entered in by: Logen Kelly

Second by: Richard Wilkie

Item Action: Approved

**5. Discussion/approval/disapproval** of the Pinal County Workforce Development Board Budget Report.

Carrie Fike presented the monthly Pinal County Workforce Development Board Budget Report.

Motion Entered in by: Sean Salveson

Second by: Wallin Gustin

Item Action: Approved

# 6. Board Chair Report

Harold Christ introduced Kaeden Peterson. Kaeden will serve as the Business and Economic Development Strategist, facilitating the ARIZONA@WORK Pinal County Business Service team. Kaeden gave a brief overview of his background. Harold also welcomed the newest member to the PCWDB, Wallin Gustin of the Arizona Department of Economic Security representing the Wagner-Peyser Act (Employment Service) Program.

Item Action: Information Only

## 7. Operations Report

- Rapid Response Update: Moriah Robles reported the upcoming events to be held on April 25<sup>th</sup> at Eloy City Hall and May 18th at the Central Arizona College Signal Peak Campus. Both events will offer workshops followed by a Job Fair. In June there will be virtual informational workshops.
- 2025 National Association of Workforce Boards (NAWB) Forum/Advocacy Day: Joel
  Millman updated members on the upcoming NAWB Forum and Advocacy Day. Members
  who are attending will be meeting with Congressional representatives to discuss
  recertification of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act including funding for the
  public workforce system.

- **Update on Board Management Tools:** Shannon McHenry reported she will be reaching out requesting no more than two PCWDB members to participate in demonstrations for board management platforms. Shannon will provide an update at the April full board meeting.
- Workforce Development Board Recertification Update: Joel Millman gave a brief update
  that the PCWDB received notification that it will be recommended for recertification by the
  Workforce Arizona Council. Shannon McHenry is working on revising the new member
  application for future candidates.
- Officer Elections: Shannon McHenry will extend the deadline for another week to gather member nominations and report to the board during the April meeting.
- World of Work Video: Joel Millman provided a recap on the World of Work event organized by Achieve Pinal. The event was held February 13, 2025 for Pinal County high school juniors and seniors hosted at the Central Arizona College (CAC) Signal Peak Campus. The event held in partnership with the Arizona SciTech institute featured workshops, career fair, campus tours, mock interviews and information on training programs offered by CAC. A short video to showcase the event was presented.

## Item Action: Information Only

**8. Presentation:** "Youth Advisory Committee Update" (Joel Villegas with Pinal County School Office and Amanda Whatley, Director, ARIZONA@WORK Pinal County Youth Program)

Joel Villegas and Amanda Whatley presented an update on the Pinal Partnership/Business, Education and Workforce Committee's Youth Advisory Committee data collection from alternative schools and adult education programs to understand factors contributing to youth disconnection and potential interventions. The committee will expand data collection to juvenile detention schools and regular education students as well as develop a screening process for identifying at risk-youth in middle school and early high school.

Item Action: Information Only

9. Call to the Public

Item Action: Public Comment

10. Adjournment

Motion Entered in by: Logen Kelly

Second by: Wallin Gustin

Adjourned 3:35pm