

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

Thursday, May 15, 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

Mem	hers	Present:	

- 1. Harold Christ
- **2.** Andrew Clegg
- 3. Joel Villegas (Zoom)
- **4.** Mary Fleck (Zoom)
- 5. Jack Beveridge (Zoom)
- 6. Sean Salveson
- 7. Wallin Gustin (Zoom)
- **8.** Susan Aguilar (Zoom)
- **9.** Todd Thomas (Zoom)
- **10.** Lynn Parsons
- 11. Logen Kelly
- 12. Jim Garrett
- 13. Richard Wilkie (Zoom)
- **14.** Bryan Seppala (Zoom)
- 15. Brian Stoner

#### **Quorum Met**

#### **Members Absent:**

- 1. Joshua Paine
- 2. Samuel Kolapo
- 3. Solomon Galyon
- 4. Erica Ballesteros
- 5. Jackob Andersen
- 6. Stacey Rich
- 7. Mike Cruz

#### **Staff Present:**

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

- 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 April 17, 2025 Pinal County Workforce Development Board Regular Meeting Minutes
  - \*b. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the recommendation for reappointment to the Pinal County Workforce Development Board: Jackob Anderson of Saint Holdings (Business Sector) Term of Service: June 1, 2025 through May 31, 2027
  - \*c. Acknowledgement of Resignation of the following Pinal County Workforce Development Board member:
    - ♦ Christina Rothlisberger (Sunlife Health) effective April 16, 2025
  - \*d. Discussion/approval/disapproval to renew the Intergovernmental Agreement with Navajo County for a shared subscription for Lightcast. Lightcast is an economic and workforce development modeling tool used by ARIZONA@WORK Pinal County to provide analysis of current and future workforce trends. Cost not to exceed \$30,000 for 2025-2026.
  - \*e. Discussion/approval/disapproval to renew the ATLAS subscription. ATLAS is a cloud based platform that allows ARIZONA@WORK Pinal County partners to refer participants amongst each other. Cost is approximately \$14,000.
  - \*f. Discussion/approval/disapproval to renew the BluDot subscription. BluDot is a cloud based platform used to support the business service team organize local businesses based on industry type, geographic area, and employer engagement activities. Cost is approximately \$11,000.
  - \*g. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Coolidge through the Coolidge Library and Pinal County through the Pinal County Workforce Development Board to establish the Coolidge Public Library as a access point for the ARIZONA@WORK Pinal County system and services.
  - \*h. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the Partner Program Reports:
    - ♦ Youth Program
    - ♦ One Stop Operator

Motion Entered in by: Andrew Clegg

Second by: Sean Salveson

Item Action: Approved

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

Carrie Fike reported on the budget status for the Adult and Dislocated Worker (Eckerd Connects) and Youth Programs' (Central Arizona College) contracts in addition to the One Stop Operator (Chicanos Por La Causa) and the Board Activities budget.

Motion Entered in by: Andrew Clegg

Second by: Sean Salveson

Item Action: Approved

#### 4. Board Chair Report

Item Action: Information Only

#### 5. Operations Report

- Rapid Response: Moriah Robles provided an update on the Rapid Response initiative in response to the Nicola Motors layoff, which has impacted over 300 employees in Pinal County. The initiative involves a series of events in collaboration with ARIZONA@WORK-City of Phoenix and ARIZONA@WORK Maricopa County. The next event is scheduled for May 22nd at Central Arizona College, Signal Peak Campus, with 30 employers and 105 registered attendees to date.
- Update on Board Management Tools: Shannon McHenry updated members that two product demonstrations have been completed, with plans for one more. Shannon will report at the August full board meeting.
- Officer Elections: Joel Millman gave a recap on the process for Officer Nominations that will be held during June 26, 2025 full board meeting. Nominations and Elections will be conducted during the meeting. He strongly encouraged all board members to attend.
- **Data Validation Results:** Moriah Robles reported on the-Data Validation results with 100% accuracy. Dislocated Worker
- National Association of Workforce Development Professionals (NAWDP) Conference Update: Moriah Robles attended the NAWDP conference May 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> in Virginia Beach. She reported that 1,500 workforce professionals attended this event. She had the honor of introducing ARIZONA@WORK Pinal County and presented alongside Sonia Cortez and Aaron Moon (Eckerd Connects) information about the Reentry Program.
- Update on Memorandum of Understanding with Libraries in Pinal County: Moriah Robles discussed the establishment of Memorandums of Understanding with various cities to provide ARIZONA@WORK Pinal County services at their libraries. The first such agreement was approved by the Coolidge City council and will be presented to the Pinal County Board of Supervisors for approval. The team is also working with librarians across the County to establish similar agreements.
- Central Arizona Regional Workforce Forum Series Session Three May 29<sup>th</sup>: Joel Millman informed members about the upcoming Central Arizona Regional Workforce Forum Series that is scheduled for May 29th, and the board members are encouraged to attend.

Item Action: Information Only

### 6. Discussion Only: Strategic Planning Preparation

Joel Millman introduced a discussion about strategic planning preparation, sharing that EDSI has been recommended for selection by the PCWDB during the April 17, 2025 meeting as the vendor to work with PCWDB on strategic planning based on the previously approved Scope of Work.

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# 7. Presentation: Arizona Early Childhood Apprenticeship Pathway Project (Barbara Milner – Central Arizona College)

Barbara Milner from Central Arizona College presented the Arizona Early Childhood Educator Apprenticeship Pathway, a registered apprenticeship program for early childhood educators. The program aims to build a stronger, more educated workforce for early childhood programs and improve retention in the field

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## 8. Presentation: Adult/Dislocated Worker Program Report (Sonia Cortez, Aaron Moon – Eckerd Connects)

Sonia Cortez presented the Adult and Dislocated Worker Program report and shared that the program has served 282 participants, including 231 adults (82 justice-involved) and 51 dislocated workers. The program has achieved 189 new enrollments this year, with 147 adults and 42 dislocated workers. There have been 78 job placements with an average wage of \$21.38 per hour. The program has expanded its services beyond Casa Grande to other areas in Pinal County, with efforts to reach the northern part of the county as well.

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#### 9. Public Comment

- Susan Aguilar announced the Central Arizona Colleges Annual Adult Education Graduation Celebration will be held on May 29<sup>th</sup> and invited members to attend.
- Vaughn Croft asked for support from board members and attendees in regards to the upcoming closure of Job Corps.
- Ryan Heidt introduced himself as Pinal County Attorney who will work with staff related to PCWDB activities.

Item Action: Public Comment

#### 10. Adjournment

Motion Entered in by: Andrew Clegg

Second by: Logen Kelly

Adjourned 3:25pm