



**EC Works Board Meeting Agenda**  
**October 25, 2023 from 11:30am-1:30pm**  
**Virtual Meeting Via Zoom or Phone**

Attendees:

**Board** – John Hanner, Jaime Eder, Bambi Bevill, Emma Jenkins, Julie Matthews, Lindsey Gaimie, Greg Davis, Chad Young, Robbie Smith, Maggie Hubbell, Dave Burger, Soledad Haines, Laurie Chesley

**Guests** – Vicki Murphy, TAA; Forrest Smith, OED; Noel Woods, US DOL;

**Staff:** Jennifer Graham, Jessica Fitzpatrick, Heather Ficht, Teresa Cummings Weir, Fish Williams, Lindsey Ray, Krisyn Fix

**I. 11:30am: Call to Order – Dave Burger, Vice Chair**

- Consent Agenda: **11:33am called to order**
- **Bambi made a motion to accept the consent agenda as presented; Jaime Eder seconds; passes unanimously.**
  - Minutes from April EC Works Board meeting – *vote required*
  - Minutes from July EC Works Board Meeting – *vote required*
  - Vote to accept the motion deliberated on via email on Program Year 2023 Budget – *vote required*
  - East Cascades Works' 2022 Tax filing – *information only*
- Introductions and Welcome New Board Members:  
**New and existing board members, staff and guests introduced themselves.**
  - Chad Young, Skanska
  - Greg Davis, Overwatch Imaging
  - Lindsey Giamei, Toasted Maple

**II. 12:00pm: Annual Program Performance Report – Teresa Cummings-Weir, Staff**

An update on WIOA performance, success stories, and investments – **see attached PPT presentation.**

**III. 12:45pm: Strategic Plan – Jaime Eder, Board Member**

Share timeline and update on planning process – **see attached timeline document.**

**IV. 1:00pm: Funding Update – Heather Ficht, Staff**

- Future Ready Oregon (OWP) submitted for \$2.16M statewide (ECW portion is \$380k over 3 years) – Prevailed in a \$1M award, contract negotiations are underway.
- QUEST Disaster Recovery (HECC) submitted for \$5M statewide (ECW portion is \$467,875) - Focused on training for dislocated workers.

**Asked for information on how many are not pursuing work bc they don't have childcare or elder care. Soledad said she would follow-up with Nicole Ramos, our regional economist through Oregon Employment Dept.**



- Critical Sector Job Quality Grant (PGE) submitted for \$5M statewide (ECW portion is ~\$255k over 3 years)- Energy economy and electric vehicles, with a focus on training youth in green jobs.

We'll have more information following Monday's launch meeting. Dave pointed out that the attached budget reflects some but not all the new funds EC Works has received. Board will see the updated budget in the January meeting, once it passes the Ex Committee in December.

#### V. 1:15pm: Updates – All

- WORKing Together Conference – November 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> in Bend at Riverhouse – Heather Ficht, Staff
- Reception dinner at 10 Barrell East in Bend for state and local boards members November 6<sup>th</sup> – Heather Ficht, Staff
- Bios of board members for website – Dave Burger, Vice Chair  
Please submit a brief bio and headshot to Heather no later than Thanksgiving.
- Dave Burger shared personal news about the loss of his 15 year old son, Trenton, in an ebike accident this summer. He worked with Rep Emmerson Levy to draft safety guidelines for use of ebike to help keep young people safe that she will be proposing in the next legislative session called Trenton's law. Dave requested that we all support the legislation and share our support with our state representatives.
- Julie Matthews shared that KCEDA won an award at the OEDA conference for their effective and innovative work on their Housing Innovation Fund. Yay!
- Jaime Eder shared that Visit CO is offering customer service training – free to those working in hospitality/tourism sector and reside in Crook, Deschutes, Jefferson and south Wasco counties. Please share the opportunity with your networks – see link below <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/guest-service-gold-customer-service-training-tickets-723504500437?aff=oddtcreator>