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WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

514 W Jefferson St, Ste 131, Boise, Idaho 83702

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2026

Time: 2 – 3:30 PM

Council Committee Members: Deni Hoehne, Joe Maloney, Kelly Kolb, Sarah Griffin, Scott Bedke, Hope Morrow

Staff: Sherawn Reberry, Denise Hill, Wendi Secrist, Alyssa Williams, Tina Polishchuk, Amanda Ames

Guests:

Call to Order at 2:03 PM

Welcome

- Roll Call
- Review Agenda
- ***Approve May 14, 2026 Meeting Minutes**

Deni Hoehne, Chair

Motion by Ms. Morrow to approve the May 14, 2026 Meeting Minutes as written. Second by Ms. Griffin. No objections, motion carried.

Budget Review

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- Report through April 30, 2026
- WDTF
 - OPS & personnel on track
 - Revenue healthy
- WIOA fully expended
- Launch
 - On track
 - \$37M in grant payments to date
- ARPA
 - CHIPS ACT Projects,
 - ISU Semiconductor will be discussed today
 - U of I cleanroom, have confirmed all funding will be spent; \$400K of expenses received so far
 - Child Care
 - 15 projects remain open
 - YMCA Treasure Valley will draw down by the end of the year, if not \$1M will be returned
 - Possible legal action with one small provider

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- Moved out of state with no communication, seeking legal advisement
- If funds are collected in next 30 days, could possibly be reallocated
- 90% of funds expended
- Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley has filled all seats and made up for United Way loss

FY28 Budget Submission Guidelines

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- Maintenance budget only
- Will be reducing headcount by 2 due to ARPA
 - Ms. Hay will remain through September
 - Ms. Williams has transitioned to the CHIPS position
- Placeholder of 1% included for CEC

WIOA Funding Updates

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- House committee released FY27 funding bill, huge reductions for WIOA Title I-B
- Eliminated Adult and Youth services, leaving Dislocated Worker
- With the House Appropriations committee this week then to the Senate

***ISU Semiconductor Grant Modification Request**

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- Requestion reallocation of \$316,084 to equipment
 - \$191,598.34 from personnel
 - \$4,910.34 from travel
 - \$27,664.37 from training materials
 - \$91,910.95 from administrative costs
- More opportunities for participation in the program for more students
- Local industry partner LA Semiconductor has closed – they were providing access to equipment
- New equipment will be housed on Pocatello campus
- 93 individuals trained for the target of 160
- Target will be met
- Online component is a true benefit for participants that are currently working

Motion by Ms. Griffin to approve the ISU Semiconductor Grant Modification as requested. Second by Mr. Kolb.

Request to amend motion by Ms. Morrow, request accepted.

Amended motion by Ms. Morrow to approve the ISU Semiconductor Grant Modification with the contingency that if the program is closed within 5 years, the WDC Council retains the interest in the equipment and may redirect any assets they have purchased to another public institution. Motion carried.

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Council Meeting Overview & Assignments

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- Agenda Review
 - Workforce Pell Program
 - Governor is signing Wednesday morning
 - WDC Council will own policy, requesting approval during meeting
 - Press release Wednesday morning
 - Piloting HVAC, CNA, Welding, EMT, and Phlebotomy Technician
 - EMT currently too long to qualify, can shorten
 - HVAC will test how to include apprenticeship related instruction
 - Phlebotomy should be straight forward
 - Welding, non-credit side, should be straight forward
 - CNA, would test the 70% job placement requirement which did not allow for an exception for those going into an additional program
 - US Dept of Ed incorporated an exception last week in the final rule issuance but wage may still be a problem
 - Performance measures, proxies will be used for some federal requirements
 - IDOL introducing legislation for enhanced wage reporting
 - Deep Dive Healthcare
 - Panel Participants
 - Leslie Wilson, Idaho Healthcare Institute
 - Rex Force, ISU Health Sciences
 - Miren Unsworth, Idaho Department of Health and Welfare
 - Todd Putren, Northwest Specialty Hospital
 - Facilitated by Jeff Greene, Trinity Health
 - Strategic Planning activity
 - Goals cannot change; objectives & strategies used to achieve our goals can change
 - Results from staff work is starting point
 - 4 discussion stations, review & discuss what else is needed or needs to change
 - During break feedback will be refined and then shared
 - August 3rd is submittal of strategic plan
 - Discussion
 - Perhaps bring more rigor, quantitative approach, less subjective
 - Our focus is supporting industries that are creating jobs

Executive Committee – Open Discussion

All

- None

Unanimous consent motion by Ms. Morrow to adjourn. No objections, motion carried.

Adjourned 3:36 PM