



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & INDUSTRY SECTOR (EDIS) COMMITTEE

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 2E

DATE: October 30, 2014 at 8:00AM

AGENDA ITEM SUBJECT: MEETING MINUTES

August 21, 2014 at 8:00 A.M.

Doubletree Hotel – Convention Center

711 N.W 72nd Avenue

Miami, FL 33126

COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE	SFWIB STAFF	OTHER ATTENDEES (AUDIENCE)
1. Perez, Andre “Andy” – <i>Chair</i> 2. Clayton, Lovey 3. Rod, Denis 4. Roth, Thomas	Gomez, Maria Kavehershi, Cheri	Carrillo, Carlos - <i>ABC</i> Flores, Oscar – <i>AATI</i> Quiros, Vivian – <i>Sullivan and Cogliano</i> Marino, Fanny – <i>AATI</i>
COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE 5. Brecheisen, Bruce 6. Gazitua, Luis 7. Ludwig, Philipp 8. Regueiro, Maria C. 9. Russo, Monica		

Agenda items are displayed in the order they were discussed.

1. Call to Order and Introduction

Mr. Thomas Roth called the meeting to order at 8:32am, on behalf of EDIS Committee Chairman Andy Perez. He asked those present introduce themselves and noted that a quorum had not been achieved.

2. Approval of EDIS Committee Meeting Minutes of December 19, 2014, February 27, 2014 April 24, 2014 and June 19, 2014

Deferred

3. Information – Consumer Report Card Update

Mr. Roth introduced the item and briefly discussed the consumer report card data report.

No further questions or discussions.

- 4. Recommendation as to Approval to Allocate Funds for Construction Introduction Program**
- 6. Recommendation as to Approval to Allocate Funds for Hospitality Certification and Training Program**
- 7. Recommendation as to Allocate Funds for Culinary Skills Employment and Training Program**
- 8. Recommendation as to Approval Allocate Funds for Entrepreneurial Training Program**

Mr. Roth introduced the item and noted into record the above item numbers 4, 6, 7 and 8 requiring approval of new training programs. However, he additionally noted considering the fact a quorum had not been established, the items would be considered to the Board if agreed by consensus of the members present.

Dr. Rod inquired about career center staffs' responsibilities for assessing and recommending training programs to individuals seeking training. He later shared with the Committee that he'd recently visited the Little Havana Career Center and no one knew of the various new training programs offered. Both Mr. Roth and Ms. Kavehersi responded to his concerns. He additionally commented that he doesn't feel the current operational processes at the Career Centers are effective, as he felt there is a gap between information provided internally to staff at the careers centers and the information that is actually being provided to the local communities throughout Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties regarding the programs that are available to qualified individuals. Ms. Kavehersi explained the various advertising strategies CSSF currently does to timely disseminate updated information to the communities. He went on to share with Committee that he and Assistant to Miami-Dade County Mayor, Ms. Maria Machado, have visited several centers and witnessed the communication inefficiencies. The Committee recommended better marketing through outreach.

Mr. Roth asked whether in the past, individuals had been placed in approved programs at 100% levels. Ms. Kavehersi responded, "Yes" and explained the success of the nursing program.

Ms. Kavehersi informally introduced Carlos Carrillo of ABC who briefly responded the Dr. Rod's questions and gave examples.

Mr. Clayton asked whether the Homestead Career Center is currently closed. Ms. Kavehersi responded that the center is currently undergoing restructuring.

[Committee Chairman Andy Perez arrived]

[Mr. Thomas Roth left]

Mr. Perez inquired about the names of employers that ABC currently partner with to place program graduates. He further asked whether there are any commitments. Mr. Carillo responded

Mr. Perez later inquired about the current benchmarks.

Ms. Kavehersi reviewed and read item number six into record.

Mr. Clayton inquired about transportation for those interested in participating in the various programs. Someone from the audience responded that bus cards are given to those individuals.

Mr. Perez later reviewed item number six with the Committee.

The consensus of the members present moved the approval of the above items.

5. Recommendation as to Approval of New Training Vendors and Programs

Chairman Perez presented the item then asked whether Faith Nursing, Diploma is a faith based organization. The prospect training vendor representative responded, "No." He further asked how long has this program been in existence and the representative responded, "four years." He later inquired about location of the clinical sites and the representative noted into record the various clinics and hospitals throughout the County.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:03am.