

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & INDUSTRY SECTOR (EDIS) COMMITTEE

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 2C

DATE: April 30, 2015 at 8:00AM

AGENDA ITEM SUBJECT: MEETING MINUTES

February 19, 2015 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)
 Perez, Andre "Andy" Chair Rod, Denis Roth, Thomas 	Kavehersi, Cheri	Bravo, Lidia – Florida Vocational Institute Flores, Oscar – American Advanced Technician Institute (AATI)
COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE		Jimenez, Laura – Compu – Meds Vocational Career Corp.
4. Brecheisen, Bruce5. Clayton, Lovey6. Gazitua, Luis		Manrique, Alejandra – Florida Vocational Institute
7. Ludwig, Philipp8. Regueiro, Maria C.9. Russo, Monica		Marino, Fanny – American Advanced Technician Institute (AATI)
		Rodanes, Carlos – New Horizons of South Florida
		Rodriguez, Mayra – Compu-Meds Vocational Career Corp.
		Travis, Jesus – Compu-Meds Vocational Career Corp.

Agenda items are displayed in the order they were discussed.

1. Call to Order

EDIS Committee Chairman Andy Perez called the meeting to order at 8:19am, asked those present introduce themselves and noted that a quorum had not been achieved.

3. Information – Consumer Report Card Update

Chairman Perez presented the item and noted that the Consumer Report Card captures real-time data, which data is subject to change at any time.

Mr. Roth inquired about the current number of training related placements achieved this year compared to previous years.

A representative from AATI appeared before the Committee and briefly explained the issues with Pell Grant and Financial Aid qualifications and disbursements. The representative also explained that approved ITA funding does not cover the entire tuition. SFWIB Support Services Supervisor explained that the reduction in funding had been as a result of the current demands on the Targeted Occupation List (TOL). She noted that the current program no longer falls under the high wage high growth category which lessens the amount of tuition offered.

Mr. Roth wanted an explanation as to why an occupation would change from one category (high wage high demand) to the next (low wage/low growth). Staff explained that it had been based on the current TOL which lists the current demands of occupations. Executive Director Rick Beasley provided additional explanation regarding the agency's reasons for implementing a quadrant policy.

Mr. Roth asked whether funds are being underutilized as a result of the changes in current thresholds. Mr. Beasley explained the new trend of apprenticeships; "earn while you work". Mr. Roth asked whether the Board would have to take a vote on proposed apprenticeships. Mr. Beasley explained. Mr. Beasley continued his discussion regarding testing fees and training costs.

Chairman Perez opened the discussion to those seated in the audience for their feedback and Fanny Marino of AATI appeared before the Committee and explained her concerns. Mr. Beasley responded to her concerns regarding the quadrant policy.

4. Recommendation as to Approval of New Training Vendor and Programs

Chairman introduced the item and Support Supervisor, Maria Gomez further discussed.

Chairman Perez asked whether clinical class is required for the Patient Care Technician program. The representative from Compu-Med Vocational Careers, Corp. responded, "Yes" and provided additional information

Chairman Perez asked how long does it take to complete 900 hours within a year. The representative responded about eleven months.

The consensus of the members present moved the item for the full board's approval.

No further questions or discussions.

5. Recommendation as to Approval of New ITA Policy

Chairman Perez provided a brief update on the Individual Training Account (ITA) Policy.

Mr. Roth inquired about revision number three and Chairman Perez further explained.

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Deferred Item(s):

2. Approval of EDIS Committee Meeting Minutes of October 30, 2014 and December 18, 2014

Deferred due to lack of quorum.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 8:48am.