



SFWIB GLOBAL TALENT & COMPETITIVENESS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

DATE/TIME: June 26, 2025, 8:45AM

LOCATION: The Landing at MIA, 5-Star Conference Center
7415 Corporate Center Drive, Suite H
(Florida Key Room)
Miami, FL 33126

Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZApcuCuqDoiHdfQcKwvSUWUz1vGZliStRim>

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Chairwoman Ferradaz called to order the regular scheduled meeting of the SFWIB Global Talent and Competiveness Council on June 26, 2025 at 8:49 am.
- 2. ROLL CALL:** 8 members; 5 required; 5 present: Quorum Achieved

SFWIB GTCC MEMBERS PRESENT	SFWIB GTCC MEMBERS ABSENT	SFWIB STAFF
Brecheisen, Bruce Del Valle, Juan-Carlos (Zoom) Ferradaz, Gilda, Chair Loynaz, Oscar M.D., Vice-Chair Palacios, Carol (Zoom)	Grice, Sonia Whitaker, David SFWIB GTCC MEMBERS EXCUSED Brown, Clarence	Parson, Robert Smith, Robert Vice, Karlisha
OTHER ATTENDEES		
Mitchell, Carlena, Miami-Dade County Public Schools		

Agenda items are displayed in the order they were discussed.

2. Public Comment

Public comments should be two minutes or less.



Chairwoman Ferradaz opened the floor for comments from the public. No requests to speak were received by the Executive Office.

No further comments or suggestions were submitted from the members. Item closed.

3A. Global Talent and Competitiveness Council Meeting Minutes – April 17, 2025

Chairwoman Ferradaz presented the April 17, 2025 Global Talent and Competitiveness Council Meeting minutes for consideration before entertaining a motion.

Motion: Dr. Loynaz to approve GTCC meeting minutes for April 17, 2025. Mr. Brecheisen seconded the motion; **item is passed without dissent.**

There was a discussion about a change in the minutes from the original version circulated to the Council a week prior to the meeting. Chairwoman Ferradaz advised that she submitted a request to the Executive Office to amend the minutes. As a result, the minutes included in today's agenda packet differ from those sent out last week.

No further comments or suggestions were submitted from the members. Item closed.

4. Approval – New Apprenticeship Programs

Chairwoman Ferradaz introduced the item; Mr. Smith CSSF presented a new apprenticeship program offered by the American Institute of CPAs, designed to prepare participants for strategic roles in financial management. The program aims to equip participants with skills in cost analysis, budgeting, financial reporting, and planning, among others.

Mr. Smith further explained that the program is part of a broader initiative to utilize prior learning assessments (PLAs) and apprenticeships to help advance individuals in the workforce. The discussion raised questions about the program's target audience, the specific certification awarded upon completion, and how it aligns with existing educational and professional requirements for CPAs. Concerns were

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expressed regarding whether the certification and apprenticeship would adequately prepare participants for financial leadership roles. Mr. Smith acknowledged the gap between current job qualifications and the proposed changes to educational and experience requirements, as well as the uncertainty that new programs like the proposed apprenticeship may introduce.

Chairwoman Ferradaz inquired about the type of certification participants would receive. Mr. Smith stated that although he did not have the certification information on hand, he committed to providing detailed information about both the certification and the program following the meeting.

Motion: Dr. Loynaz recommends the approval of the American Institute of CPAs (AICPA) Finance Business Partner Apprenticeship program as presented. Mr. del Valle seconded the motion; **item is passed without dissent.**

No further questions or comments were presented. Item closed.

5. Approval – New Training Provider and New Programs for An Existing Provider

Chairwoman Ferradaz introduced the item; Mr. Smith introduced Coding Clarified, LLC as a new training provider that will offer the Professional Medical Coding Program. Additionally, Miami Dade College aims to expand its course offerings by adding the Commercial Vehicle Driving and Commercial Class B Driving programs.

Motion: Mr. Brecheisen recommends approving Coding Clarified, LLC as a new training provider along with their Medical Coding program. Additionally, the motion approves the addition of the Commercial Vehicle Driving and Commercial Class B Driving programs for Miami Dade College. Mr. del Valle seconded the motion; **item is passed without dissent.**

No further questions or comments were presented. Item closed.

Being as there were no further questions or concerns, the meeting adjourned at 9:15am.