



**SOUTH FLORIDA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE/TIME:** June 20, 2024, 9:30am

**LOCATION:** Virtual Meeting Only

**Zoom:** [https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_wjgmIoTtSEu4r3ERRDichg](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_wjgmIoTtSEu4r3ERRDichg)

- CALL TO ORDER:** Vice-Chairman del Valle called to order the regular meeting of the South Florida Workforce Investment Board at 9:48AM on June 20 2024.

**ROLL CALL:** 29 members; 16 required; 18 present: Quorum established

<p><b>SFWIB Members Present</b> <i>(All members attended via Zoom)</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brecheisen, Bruce</li> <li>Bridges, Jeff</li> <li>Brown, Clarence</li> <li>Chi, Joe</li> <li>Datorre, Roberto</li> <li>del Valle, Juan-Carlos, Vice Chair</li> <li>Ferradaz, Gilda</li> <li>Garza, Eddie</li> <li>Gazitua, Luis</li> <li>Gibson, Charles, Chair</li> <li>Glean-Jones, Camela</li> <li>Mantilla, Rene'</li> <li>Palacios, Carol</li> <li>Perez, Andy</li> <li>Pintado, Kirenia</li> <li>Rolle, Andrei</li> <li>Roth, Tom</li> <li>Whitaker, David</li> </ol>	<p><b>SFWIB Members Absent</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Androver, Bernado</li> <li>Clayton, Lovey</li> <li>Diggs, Bill</li> <li>Grice, Sonia</li> <li>Lincoln, Michelle Commissioner</li> <li>Maxwell, Michelle</li> <li>Rod, Denis</li> </ol> <p><b>SFWIB Members Excused</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canales, Dequasia</li> <li>Loynaz, Oscar, MD</li> <li>Piedra, Obdulio</li> <li>Scott, Kenneth</li> </ol>	<p><b>SFWIB Staff</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Beasley, Rick</li> <li>Bennett, Renee</li> <li>Morgan, Ebony</li> <li>Parson, Robert</li> <li>Perrin, Yian</li> <li>Petro, Basil</li> <li>Smith, Robert</li> <li>Vice, Karlisha</li> <li>Washington, Jarvis</li> </ol> <p><b>SFWIB Administration</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Blanco, Wilson</li> <li>Gonzalez, Yoandy</li> <li>McFarland, Casandra</li> </ol> <p><b>Miami-Dade County Attorney's Office</b></p>
<p><b>Guest Attendees</b></p>		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alexandre, Francois, General Public</li> <li>Allen, Latoya, Department of Economic</li> <li>Austin, Tamika, Department of Commerce</li> <li>Blanco, Aleida, Community Coalition</li> <li>Brito, Hilma, Equus Works</li> <li>Brown, Allanah, General Public</li> <li>Charles, Reginald, General Public</li> <li>Farinas, Irene, Adults Mankind Organization</li> </ol>		



9. Foxx, Bryan, My IT Future Institute
10. Grigsby, Christine, Equus Works
11. Gutierrez, Maria, Miami-Dade County Public School Board
12. Ilcheva, Dr. Maria, Florida International University
13. Martinez, Lisa, LM Genuine Solutions
14. Lamy, Sammy, General Public
15. Someillan, Ana, Adults Mankind Organization

Chairman Gibson delegated the facilitation of the meeting to Vice-Chairman del Valle as he was physically present at the meeting.

Agenda items are displayed in the order they are discussed.

## **2. Public Comments**

*Public comments should be two minutes or less.*

Vice-Chairman del Valle opened the floor for comments from the public.

### **Request to Speak Form Received**

Mr. Bryan Foxx, General Manager, My IT Future Institute requested to address the Board to provide a more comprehensive understanding of the background/history associated with agenda item 11D. He explained that the "My IT Future Institute" is currently in the process of separating from New Horizons. Additionally, he clarified that the United States Attorney's Office views all New Horizons franchises as a single entity. Franchises that have not engaged in misconduct should be identified and cleared within 45-60 days.

Ms. Allanah Brown and Ms. Nancy Massuet of the Department of Corrections raised their hand to address the Board; however, they did not have a specific agenda item in which to address.

No additional requests were received. Item closed.

## **4A. Executive Directors Report**

Mr. Beasley provided an overview of the following items in the Executive Director's Report:

- The passing of Ordinance 24-61 which re-established the South Florida Workforce Investment Board servicing Miami-Dade County exclusively. Mr. Beasley also provided an overview of the documentation that needed to finalize the transition process with the State and the Chief Local Elected Official (CLEO).

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- The U.S. Department of Labor has awarded a 3.4 million grant to a new restoration project in Broward County, with PeriClean, a company that offers clean-up services in the aftermath of natural disasters. The U.S. Secretary of Labor extended an invitation to Mr. Beasley to participate in the event, as they intend to establish a training program with Mr. Newton Sanon, of OIC South Florida.
- Third quarter letter grades were released. SFWIB received an A+ rating.

## Presentation

Mr. Beasley introduced Dr. Maria Ilcheva and Ms. Lisa Martinez, who will be presenting the key findings of the "Employer Perspectives on Education and Workforce Development" study. The survey conducted by Florida International University in collaboration with the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce offers valuable insights into the challenges that employers are facing in recruitment, retention and offering competitive salaries to match the cost of living. The report also emphasizes a significant gap between skills available in the current talent market and the in-demand skills sought by employers.

The 2024 Miami-Dade Education and Workforce Development Survey is included in the June 20, 2024, SFWIB Meeting agenda packet for review.

Mr. Beasley informed the council that the survey results would be presented to the Academic Leaders Council in the near future. The hope is to engage in a discussion about the education survey that was presented to the board in December 2023 and the findings of this study to ascertain the most effective approach to addressing this concern for Miami-Dade County.

Vice-Chairman del Valle inquired about the impact of rising costs of living in other large metropolitan areas and the methods by which other communities are addressing similar challenges. Dr. Ilcheva emphasized that in several large metropolitan areas, the cost of living, workforce retention, housing affordability, and business expansion have become significantly challenging. Miami-Dade distinguishes itself through the convergence of business and economic development leaders and numerous higher education institutions deeply committed to identifying solutions to these challenges. She advised that this will be a long-term solution, but she is confident that the union of business, education, and workforce development professionals will be able to devise programs that are tailored to the unique requirements of various sectors of the economy. Dr. Ilcheva stressed the importance of presenting economic development, business expansion, and comprehensive business support solutions to large employers and small/medium-sized organizations, as 52% of our workforce is employed by small businesses.



Sector by sector with knowledge of divergent needs and capabilities of businesses by size is the correct approach.

No further questions or comments were presented. Item closed.

## 6. Consent Agenda Items

Vice-Chairman del Valle introduced the following consent agenda items for review:

[Mr. Joe Chi, Ms. Camela Glean-Jones were temporarily placed on hold during the discussion, consideration, and voting process for item 6E.]

- 6A: SFWIB Meeting Minutes – April 18, 2024
- 6B: Acceptance of Additional Workforce System Funding (\$5,204)
- 6C: Summer youth Employment Program for the City of Miami Gardens (\$100,000 General Revenue funds from the City of Miami Gardens; allocate matching funds \$100,000 in TANF dollars, program administered by Adult Mankind Organization.
- 6D: Summer youth Employment Program for the City of Opa-Locka (\$50,000 General Revenue funds from the City of Opa-Locka; allocate matching funds \$50,000 in TANF dollars, program administered by Youth Co-Op, Inc.
- 6E: Business Intermediary Contract Renewals for PY 2024-2025 (\$575,000)
- 6F: Workforce Services Contract Renewals for PY 2024-2025
- 6G: Youth Services Contract Renewals for PY 2024-2025
- 6H: Program Year 2024-2025 American Job Center: Schedule of Operations

Vice-Chairman del Valle inquired whether any member desired to pull an item for additional discussion prior to the vote. None of the consent agenda items were selected for deliberation.

**Without objection, consent agenda items adopted by consensus of members present.**

No further questions or comments were presented. Item closed.

[Ms. Glean-Jones and Mr. Chi returned to the meeting.]

Vice-Chairman del Valle recommended that the action items, which require a vote from the members, be prioritized on the agenda to ensure a quorum and save time. Immediately afterwards, updates on the council meeting will be provided.



## 11. Action Items

Vice-Chairman del Valle introduced agenda items 11A–11D, permitting staff to go over each item with the members and answer any questions presented.

### 11A. PY 2024-2025 South Florida Workforce Investment Board Budget

Mr. Beasley provided a concise overview of the performance metrics and projected expenditure for PY 23-24, reviewed the PY23-24/PY24-25 comparison chart, and PY 24-25 SFWIB budget allocations.

Mr. Beasley informed that new funding had decreased by 1% to \$29.9 million, with a 50% allocation to training in accordance with state law. He will be submitting a proposal to the state board requesting to modify this allocation to 40%, which will include the youth. There was further discussion around budget allocations for headquarters, training, facility expenditures, and contracts and Mr. Beasley concluded his update by sharing a few of the projects and initiatives slated for program year 2024-2025.

**Motion:** by Ms. Glean-Jones to approve the PY 2024-2025 SFWIB Budget. Mr. Chi seconded the motion; **item is passed without dissent.**

No further questions or comments were presented. Item closed.

### 11B. 2024 – 2025 WDA 23 Demand Occupations List (TOL) Addition

Vice-Chairman del Valle introduced the item; Mr. Beasley presented the request for SOC Code 49-3021, Automotive Body and Related Repairers, to be added to the regions Demand Target Occupation List for Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

[Mr. Manilla was temporarily placed on hold during the discussion, consideration, and voting process for this item.]

**Motion:** Mr. Datorre to approve SOC Code 49-3021, Automotive Body and Related Repairers, to be added to the regions Demand Target Occupation List for Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

Mr. Bridges seconded the motion; **item is passed without dissent.**

No further questions or comments were presented. Item closed.



### **11C. New Training Provider and New Registered Apprenticeship Programs; New Programs for an Existing Provider**

[Mr. Manilla remained on hold during the discussion, consideration, and voting process for this item.]

Vice Chairman del Valle introduced the item, and Mr. Beasley subsequently presented the request to add ACI Learning Apprenticeship Program as a new training provider with two new programs: Cybersecurity Support Technician and Tech Support Specialist. In addition, he presented a request to add two additional programs Miami-Dade County Public Schools, an established training provider: Commercial AC and Diesel Off-Road Maintenance Technician.

**Motion:** Ms. Ferradaz to approve the addition of ACI Learning Apprenticeship Program as a new training provider with the programs submitted; and the addition of new programs for Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

Mr. Rolle seconded the motion; **item is passed without dissent.**

No further questions or comments were presented. Item closed.

[Mr. Mantilla returned to the meeting]

### **11D. New Training Vendor Application**

Vice Chairman del Valle introduced the item, and Mr. Beasley provided further details regarding the request to deny My IT Future Institute's application to become a new training provider for the agency at this time.

Mr. Bryan Foxx, General Manager of My IT Future Institute, provided feedback during public comments.

**Motion:** Mr. Brown to approve the recommendation to reject the Training Vendor Application for 'My Future IT Institute' at this time. The provider may re-apply for consideration after all legal matters have been resolved. Ms. Ferradaz seconded the motion; **item is passed without dissent.**



## 8. SFWIB Finance and Efficiency Council Update

Chairman Roth provided an overview provided an overview of the items discussed and approved during today's FEC meeting.

No questions or comments were presented. Item closed.

## 9. Global Talent and Competitiveness Council Update

Chairwoman Ferradaz provided an overview of the items discussed and approved during today's GTCC meeting.

No questions or comments were presented. Item closed.

## 10. Performance Council Update

Mr. Garza provided an overview of the items discussed and approved during today's Performance Council meeting.

No questions or comments were presented. Item closed.

## 8. Executive Committee Update

Vice-Chairman del Valle gave an overview of the items discussed during the June 13th Executive Committee meeting which included the following:

- The committee then turned its focus to an update on the SFWIB Governance Agreement that was presented to the board of county commissioners as an ordinance on June 4 and again on June 18<sup>th</sup>. The new ordinance passed its first reading on the 4<sup>th</sup> and received final approval on the 18<sup>th</sup>. With its passing, the SFWIB was re-established as the workforce board for Miami-Dade County.
- The 2024-2025 Florida Gap Map. The map was developed as the nation's first root cause analysis tool aimed at supporting Florida leaders in securing the path to prosperity in every zip code. CSSF began using the map this year to identify areas in which the board could concentrate programs to assist those living in poverty.

Based on the updated Map, staff have identified 10 zip codes in particular with a child poverty rate of 30 percent or higher. The SFWIB will place an emphasis on serving individuals through targeted initiatives in the identified zip codes.



Additionally, the 33136 zip code is the only one in which over 50 percent of children are living in poverty.

- The WIOA 3rd Quarter performance update, which was covered during the Performance Council Update.

No questions or comments were presented. Item closed.

### **Next Meeting**

The next SFWIB meeting is scheduled to take place on August 15, 2024. Location TBD. Notifications will be forwarded to all members in advance of the session.

Being as there were no further questions or concerns, the SFWIB Meeting adjourned at 11:07am.