

## Education and Workforce Development Committee Meeting

*The Education and Workforce Development Committee serves as the SFWIB Education and Industry Consortium.*

Monday, September 30, 2024 | 1:00pm – 2:00pm

Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84448129482?pwd=9ThdFFEx6fH2APmBX2UzOMk3rWAeHv.1>

Meeting ID: 844 4812 9482

Passcode: 338619

### **Lisa Martinez**

Founder and CEO, LM Genuine Solutions

Chair, Education & Workforce Development Committee

### **Ken Finneran**

Vice President Human Resources, eMed

Vice Chair, Education & Workforce Development Committee

Attendees: Lisa Martinez, Lisa Thurber (MDCPS), Ken Finneran, Max Migel (AdaptAI), Diana Valdivia (CSSF), Sarah Brazier (Liberty Academy), Carlos Lamourte (Banesco), Tiffani Malvin (Barry University), Robert Sellers, Karen Velazquez-Vargas, Luis Llerena (CBT), Zuanel Diaz (Baptist Health), Rocio Valezquez (The Children's Movement), Angela Filippopoudou (Claro), Ty Gabriel (Stemtree), Alex Herrera (St Thomas)

## **AGENDA**

### **I. WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS**

### **II. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Key initiatives are to bridge the gap between businesses and the education community that was revealed by the Workforce Study. Notify Alicia Thompson to serve on a sub-committee.

### **III. INDUSTRY ROUNDTABLES**

Nonprofit Industry Roundtable (tentatively scheduled for November 15)

This will be the first industry roundtable. The Chamber has a robust network of nonprofit organizations. Lisa and Ken will identify educational partners, and generate the questions. (Volunteers include Sarah Brazier from Liberty Academy, Tiffani Malvin (Barry) and Diana Valdivia (CSSF).

Construction Roundtable

Transportation Logistics Roundtable

### **IV. INTERNSHIP/APPRENTICESHIP WORKSHOPS**

Apprenticeship Workshop (tentatively scheduled for November 7)

Will include CSSF, Miami Dade College and Miami Dade County Public Schools. Need to recruit employers to attend.

Internship Workshop (spring)

Will follow same format as Apprenticeship Workshop, scheduled in the spring.

### **V. FORUMS**

- Past Forum Recap:  
Climate Tech Forum

Ken Finneran provided a recap of the Climate Tech Forum, a collaboration between the Education Committee, the Resilience Committee and the Tech & Innovation Committee. Speakers provided an update on the South Florida Climate Ready Tech Hub, highlight climate tech innovation happening in South Florida, discuss climate tech investment, workforce development opportunities and more.

- Upcoming Forum:

HR Webinar: Building an Agile and Innovative Workforce, October 17, noon-1:00pm

Ken provided a preview of the webinar and how the Education & Workforce Development Committee goes hand in hand with the HR Committee. This webinar will discuss how we need to embrace transformation through skills-based strategies. We need to rethink how we plan and predict future needs through a dynamic understanding of skills mapped to talent in the context of work.

## **VI. MEETING SCHEDULE**

Next meeting date: December ?

## **VII. UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Sand in My Shoes, October 9, 2024, 5:30pm – 9:00pm, Jungle Island (Sold Out)
- November Trustee Luncheon featuring Alvah H Chapman Jr. Award, November 13, 2024, 11:30am – 1:30pm, Jungle Island.

See all events: <https://www.miamichamber.com/events>

## **VIII. CLOSING REMARKS / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Angela (Claro): Claro provides security for schools, including security safety bundles with AI, facial recognition, etc.

Alex (St Thomas): needs volunteer judges for the pitches for entrepreneurship week.

Max (AdaptAI): Has platforms to teach AI for universities, seniors, etc., develop code quickly and security applications.