



AMENDED

SFWIB EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

DATE: April 11, 2019

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 2A

MEETING MINUTES

March 14, 2019 at 8:15 A.M

CareerSource South Florida Headquarters

7300 Corporate Center Drive, Suite 500 (Conference Room 2)

Miami, FL 33126

<p>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Andy Perez, <i>Chairman</i> 2. Ferradaz, Gilda 	<p>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Del Valle, Juan Carlos 4. Garza, Maria 5. Gibson, Charles, Vice - Chairman <p>*****</p> <p>SFWIB STAFF</p> <p>Beasley, Rick Almonte, Ivan Gilbert, David Graham- Mays, Tomara Jean-Baptiste, Antoinette Kavehersi, Cheri Perrin, Yian Smith, Marian Smith, Robert</p>	<p>AUDIENCE:</p> <p>Gonzalez, Monica – <i>Florida Vocational Institute</i></p> <p>Ishoof, Saif – <i>Florida International University (FIU)</i></p> <p>Lavernia, Karen – <i>Florida International University (FIU)</i></p>
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Agenda items are displayed in the order they were discussed.

1. Call to Order and Introductions

SFWIB Chairman Andy Perez called the meeting to order at 8:31am and asked all those present introduce themselves. He noted that a quorum of members present had not been achieved.

2. A. Approval of Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2019

Deferred due to lack of quorum

3. Information – Preliminary In-State Allocations

Chairman Perez introduced the item and Mr. Beasley further presented the Preliminary In-State Allocations.

Mr. Beasley advised of an upcoming budget workshop.

No further questions or discussions.

4. Recommendation as to Approval of Refugee Services Contractors

Mr. Beasley introduced and presented the item.

He additionally noted that the contract will end March 31, 2019.

The consensus of the members present recommended moving the item to the full Board for approval.

5. Recommendation as to Approval of the Florida International University Urban Potential Laboratory (UP Labs) Pilot Program

Chairman Perez introduced the item. Mr. Beasley further presented and noted the purpose of this initiative. He later introduced representatives of Florida International University (FIU), Vice President of Engagement Mr. Saif Ishoof, Esq. and Assistant Vice President Karen Lavernia who presented.

Ms. Lavernia explained it is a 14 week model with students ranging ages 18-65yrs.

Mr. Ishoof explained it's the first of its kind in the state of Florida university system. He additionally noted while this program would be housed at FIU, it would not only consist of FIU students. He furthermore explained FIU's current partnerships with three healthcare systems.

Ms. Ferradaz inquired about stipends and sponsorships. Mr. Ishoof explained that the two major sponsorships are JP Morgan Chase and the Lennar Foundation. He provided further details.

He additionally explained FIU's focus on the Veteran's Population.

Chairman Perez briefly shared his comments and commended this goal.

Chairman Perez inquired about career pathways for certifications and college credits. Ms. Lavernia noted the 14 weeks model includes technical training, software training, apprenticeship training and job shadowing. She furthermore noted a current high demand for nursing assistant pathway. She provided additional details as well as Mr. Ishoof.

Chairman Perez commented he believes this model would potentially work. He later shared his concern regarding a recent conversation with an Uber Driver who holds a medical degree from Cuba, but cannot practice medicine in the United States so he's driving Uber to make a living.

Chairman Perez explained a major shortage of mental health practitioners.

There was continued discussion.

Ms. Ferradaz briefed the Committee on a Veterans Homelessness initiative with Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust in hopes of providing continuous employment through various partnerships.

Ms. Lavernia explained the demographic group of potential students which includes parents of FIU Students, Migrants holding professional career degrees from their native country of which those licenses/degrees don't simultaneously transfer over to United States education criteria.

Mr. Beasley provided additional details.

There was continued discussion.

The consensus of the members present recommended moving the item to the full Board for approval.

Chairman Perez inquired about the next scheduled meeting and Mr. Beasley verified with staff that the next meeting is scheduled April 18, 2019.

New Business(es):

- Mr. Beasley announced the celebration of Women's Month
- TechHire Center with YWCA
- 100 Day Challenge for Youth /Transition Management Committee (TMC) & Homeless Initiatives with Camillus House
- Updates on Recent Meeting with the Office of Inspector General's Office regarding Transition, Inc.

Chairman Perez inquired about Judge Leifman and Mr. Beasley provided details.

Chairman Perez inquired about a timeline of investigation and Mr. Beasley provided details.

- Ms. Ferradaz requested another copy of the OIG report and Mr. Beasley assured that a report would be provided. He noted that the original report was included in December's SFWIB meeting agenda packet.

Ms. Ferradaz briefed the Committee on a Federal Housing Grant for displaced children that are in foster care reuniting with their parents. The program would provide a 70% housing voucher to homeless parents reuniting with their children. Both Homestead and Hialeah Housing Authorities applied. The parent must be employed. She noted one of the barriers of getting the individuals employed is past criminal history. Mr. Beasley requested a conference meeting to further discuss this initiative.

- Community Block Grant (Florida Keys Community College) (Huge Labor Shortage and Affordable Housing)

There being no further concerns to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:20am.

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