

Workforce Development Board Meeting

Thursday – October 3, 2019

6954 S. Lima Street, Centennial, CO 80112

Arapahoe Board Room

11:00 a.m. **Welcome/Call to Order**

Peter Hancock, [PEG Colorado](#), [WDB Vice Chair](#)

11:05 a.m. **WDB Member Announcements**

Peter Hancock, [PEG Colorado](#), [WDB Vice Chair](#)

- John Fleck – Will be retiring soon
- Christine Shapard – Will be replacing Lynn Meyers at Denver South EDP
- Lynn Meyers – Retiring
- Cheryl Ternes – Looking for employers to sit on a round table discussing childcare. The Roundtable takes place October 28th and will be at the Family Resource Pavilion. If interested please contact Cheryl.
- Peter Hancock – Email was hacked

11:20 a.m. **2019 Scoring Tech Talent**

Pete Schippits, [CBRE](#)

- Is the tech labor force just computer services?
 - o For this report the jobs have to be technology based
- How is the tech industry defined?
 - o For this report it is driven from software technology to software hardware design, but the industry is defined by the jobs being technology based.
- How is the labor quality defined?
 - o Education, wage, type of job they are able to complete
 - o Overall quality is based off of capability
- Why is Denver so competitive even with the cost of living
 - o San Francisco and Seattle are still more expensive
 - o Competitive with unemployment and the cost of office space
- What is flex office space?
 - o Desk sharing and office sharing
- Why is Downtown more attractive than the Tech Center?
 - o Lowest rents in cycle allow for a relocation
 - o Downtown got cheaper than Tech Center – not so much right now as 6 months ago
 - o Millennials don't want to commute to Tech Center so they are driving companies Downtown
 - o With a Downtown location, companies can pull talent from whole metro area

12:00 p.m. **Working Lunch**

12:15 p.m. **County Updates**

Arapahoe-Commissioner Jackson
Douglas-Commissioner Laydon

- Douglas County: Commissioner Laydon
 - o We are at the tail end of getting 13.3 million in funding for school safety, 96% of schools have applied
 - o Recently in DC looking into the 3 digit mental health line that has been approved by Congress

- o Traffic is increasing as Douglas County is seeing an additional 33 people a day moving into the area, master plan needs to get redone
- o Working on securing funding from roads, funding will not come from public safety
- Arapahoe County: Commissioner Jackson
 - o Rocky Mountain Crisis Hotline wants to get a 3 digit phone number, working with State to do so
 - o Recently in Durango at conference where the focus was employment in CO
 - Big focus on the fact that many jobs don't pay a living wage – How can we advocate for pay?
 - o Conversation regarding Hemp
 - Farmers have issues with growing it
 - o If you haven't done so yet check out the Talent Found Website
 - o Arapahoe County's jail and courthouse are falling apart
 - Prop 1A to replace jail – Mil levy for 3.6 million

12:25 p.m. **Director's Report**

Kelly Folks, [A/D Works!](#)

Action Items: WIOA Title I Work Experience, WIOA Title I Youth Incentive Payments
High Performing Board Award
WDB Financial Assistance Award

- Action Item: WIOA Title 1 Work Experience – Approved – 1st motion John F., 2nd Kevin H. & 3rd Peter H.
- Action Item: WIOA Title 1 Youth Incentive Payments – Approved – 1st motion Andrea A., 2nd John F. & 3rd Peter H.
- Young Adult Procurement vote will occur once the WDB is provided with the snapshot
- Question asked about who is on the Governance Committee?
 - o The Governance Committee is Evan A., Peter H., Andrew B., Kelly F., & Tanya M.

12:40 p.m. **Administrative Services Update**

Kelly Folks, [A/D Works!](#)

12:50 p.m. **WDB Taskforce/Subcommittee Updates:**

Veterans Engagement Taskforce – Kevin Hougen

Next Meeting: TBD
6974 S. Lima Street

Opportunity Works! Taskforce – Nancy Jackson

Next Meeting: TBD
Board Room 6954 S. Lima Street

Young Adult Subcommittee – Mimi Leonard

Next Meeting: TBD
Board Room 6954 S. Lima Street

1:00 p.m. **Meeting Adjournment**

Peter Hancock, [PEG Colorado](#), [WDB Vice Chair](#)

Next WDB Meeting: December 5, 2019 • 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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