

Santa Barbara County Workforce Development Board
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



Agenda

Wednesday, Feb 17, 2021

10:00 AM

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA

February 17, 2021 ♦ 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Via Zoom:
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Sandra Dickerson <i>Chair</i> <i>Your People</i> <i>Professionals</i>	I. OPENING REMARKS	10:00 AM
Dianne Owens <i>Vice Chair</i> <i>Consultant</i>	II. ROLL CALL	10:02 AM
Glenn Morris <i>Santa Maria Valley</i> <i>Chamber of Commerce</i>	III. PUBLIC COMMENT*	10:05 AM
Daniel Nielson <i>Department of Social</i> <i>Services</i>	IV. AGENDA ITEMS*	
	a. Directors Report	10:10 AM
	b. Reorganization to the Agenda	10:20 AM
	c. Old Business	
	i. Approval of November 18, 2020 minutes	10:22 AM
	d. New Business	
	i. Update on Relaunching America’s Workforce Act (RAWA)	10:25 AM
	ii. Introduction to Discussion Topic: Coordination, Duplication of Effort, and Partnerships	10:35 AM
	iii. Full Discussion by Committee	10:45 AM
	iv. Summary of Options, Path Forward	11:15 AM
Raymond McDonald <i>Executive Director</i> <i>Santa Barbara County</i> <i>WDB</i>	V. Next Executive Committee Meeting	
	Wednesday, April 21, 2021	
	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	
	Via Zoom	
	VI. Adjourning the Executive Committee	12:00 PM

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

November 18, 2020 ♦ 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Via Zoom

I. OPENING REMARKS

Meeting called to order by Santa Barbara County Workforce Development Board (SBCWDB) Chair Sandra Dickerson at 10:04 AM.

II. ROLL CALL

Executive Committee Members in Attendance*:

Sandra Dickerson, Dianne Owens, Glenn Morris, and Daniel Nielson

Santa Barbara County Staff in Attendance:

Ray McDonald, Anthony Garduno

*A quorum was established at the start of the meeting, with four out of four members present.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

IV. AGENDA ITEMS

A. Director's Report

Ray McDonald advised the Executive Committee that Santa Barbara County Workforce Development Board (SBCWDB) staff was involved in Veterans Day appreciation activities and provided goodie bags containing informational materials promoting WDB programs.

Mr. McDonald also reported that the SBCWDB would solicit a new workforce study to examine local industry sectors and changes in the labor market after the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The study was originally expected to be conducted in January 2021, but is being pushed back to align with local recovery efforts and reopening of businesses, and is now expected sometime in the spring or summer of 2021 at the earliest.

The SBCWDB is required to update its local and regional plan and submitted to the State in April 2021. In weekly calls with the State, local workforce directors have been asking to adjust the submission date to later in the year, in order to be able to incorporate meaningful goals that align with recovery and reopening plans.

B. Reorganization to the Agenda

No changes were made.

C. Old Business

- i. The minutes of September 16, 2020, were considered as follows:

Action: Dianne Owens moved, seconded by Glenn Morris, and carried by a vote of 4-0 to approve the minutes of September 16, 2020.

D. New Business

i. Report Out: Recent Activities

SBCWDB staff is still working with partners on being able to use the Santa Barbara located American Job Center of California (AJCC), which is housed within a State building. There are plans that need to be approved before the building can be use even on a by appointment only basis. Currently workforce staff has been relocated to the Camino Del Remedio (CDR) building belonging to the Department of Social Services (DSS).

ii. Re-Opening Update; and Services to Seasonal Ag Workers

Neither the North County nor the South County AJCC is currently open beyond an appointment only basis. The AJCC in Santa Maria is co-located within a County owned building, and there has been significant progress on the plan to reopen, including ordering of Plexiglas partitions.

Seasonal Ag workers are known to be laid off during the winter months and it is typically the time that they come into the AJCCs to file for Unemployment benefits with the Employment Development Department (EDD). In anticipation of this influx, the WDB program's team in collaboration with the Department of Social Services has been working to establish a safe and efficient environment to provide resources and services to the public.

Daniel Nielson expressed concerned about having sufficient computers to both serve EDD clients as well as the general public seeking access to the AJCC resources. Mr. Nielson requested confirmation that there would be equitable access to both groups once the AJCC re-opens. Mr. McDonald will verify this information and follow up with Mr. Nielson and the rest of the committee members with an answer.

iii. Update on New Regional Planning Unit (RPU)

SBCWDB is no longer part of the Coastal RPU, which previously consisted of Monterey, Santa Cruz, San Luis Obispo (SLO) and Santa Barbara counties. SBCWDB continues to have a working relationship with the former RPU counties due to our joint efforts on the Prison 2 Employment (P2E) grant, which included funding that was given to the former RPU. SBCWDB is now the lead fiscal agent and expects to receive funding for the new RPU with SLO WDB sometime in April 2021.

SLO WDB and SBCWDB is attempting to work out an agreement with the State that would allow funding allocations to be distributed directly to each local board, instead of having it funnel through the fiscal agent.

The State has put out the funding request for the upcoming year and the application has to be submitted by December 4, 2020. As part of the funding request, the new RPU is requesting to fund a new Regional Organizer position, as well as funds for staff development.

iv. Report Out: Meeting with County Executive Officer

Ray McDonald reported on meeting with Mona Miyasato, Santa Barbara County CEO. The conversation included a general overview of SBCWDB activities, updated labor market data, as well as priorities for the near future. Ms. Miyasato also requested that SBCWDB continue to collaborate with the Regional Economic Action Coalition (REACH).

v. Project/Grant Development Update: partnerships

Ray McDonald and Glenn Morris recently participated with REACH to put together an application to designate Vandenberg Air Force base in Lompoc, CA, as the headquarters for the new space command. The application is currently still in the process of being vetted, but a decision is expected sometime in February 2021.

As an add-on to the SB-1 High Roads project, there is a new grant opportunity for training partnerships focused on developing industries that are considered environmentally friendly. Cierco Wind Energy will be submitting an application to consider the feasibility of a wind farm off the Central Coast. If approved the project would not be funded until April 2021, and the project would start around September 2021.

vi. Proposed Meeting Schedule for Next Calendar Year 2021

DATE	LOCATION
Wednesday, February 17, 2021	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM on Zoom
Wednesday, April 21, 2021	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM on Zoom
Wednesday, May 19, 2021	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM on Zoom
Wednesday, July 21, 2021	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM on Zoom
Wednesday, August 18, 2021	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM on Zoom
Wednesday, September 15, 2021	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM on Zoom
Wednesday, November 17, 2021	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM on Zoom
Wednesday, December 15, 2021	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM on Zoom

V. Next Executive Committee Meeting

December 16, 2020
10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Via Zoom

VI. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 11:18 AM.