



Career Services Committee Meeting
Thursday September 10, 2020
3:00 p.m.

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kathleen Plinske, Amy Albee-Levine, Keira des Anges, Mark Havard, Donna Rhoades, Melanie Stefanowicz and Al Trombetta

MEMBERS ABSENT: Andrew Albu, Paul Bough, Bryan Orr, David Sprinkle and Jim Sullivan

STAFF PRESENT: Mimi Coenen, Lisa Burby, Nilda Blanco, Jason Lietz, Cliff Marvin and Kaz Kasal

GUESTS PRESENT: Danielle Permenter / Orlando.org; Susan Bosse / CareerSource Florida

Agenda Item	Topic	Action Item / Follow Up Item
1	<p>Welcome Dr. Plinske, Committee Co-Chair, called meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.</p> <p>Dr. Plinske welcomed the following new committee members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Donna Rhoades, Assistant District Administrator, Division of Blind Services, Department of Education. • Melanie Stefanowicz, Associate Superintendent, Career & Technical Education, Orange County Public Schools. 	
2	<p>Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum Ms. Kasal reported a quorum present.</p>	
3	<p>Public Comment None offered.</p>	
4	<p>Action Items <u>Approval of Minutes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Reviewed minutes from 3/19/20 Career Services Committee meeting (attachment). 	<p>Ms. des Anges made a motion to approve the minutes from the 3/19/20 Career Services Committee meeting. Mr. Trombetta seconded; motion passed unanimously.</p>
5	<p>Information and Discussion <u>Career Services Committee Charter – Annual Review</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed Charter (attachment) and concurred good as is. <p><u>Summer Youth Overview and Outcomes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed Summer Youth 2020 results (attachment) from the enrollment goals and activities with the Experience, Explore and Accelerate programs. • Viewed a testimonial from a summer youth participant, who relayed the positive impact she experienced with the 	

	<p>program.</p> <p><u>Guest Speaker</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Danielle Permenter with Orlando.org presented on “UpSkill Orlando” (attachment) – a grant initiative designed to increase awareness and the value of skills attainment by educating employers on: 1) their role to help upskill and 2) their return on investment with skill-based hiring. <p><u>Review of Training Investment and Performance in a Pandemic Economy (attachment)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed regional vs. state unemployment rate during COVID-19 pandemic vs previous months, which at 15.3%, is still above state and national rates. Reviewed career seekers served, and training & placement outcomes during COVID-19 pandemic vs. previous years. Discussed option to more broadly define investments from current six HGI sectors to rapid employment into the current COVID markets. 	<p><i>Staff to do analysis of skills of laid off individuals and match, look for gaps to fill.</i></p>
7	<p><u>Other Business</u></p> <p>Ms. Coenen, COO, provided “Help Is Here” updates and explained the \$7M in CARES Act funds need to be expended by 12/31/20. She encouraged the Committee to refer any candidates who are Orange County residents or businesses to the CSCF website to start the process.</p>	
8	<p>Adjournment</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.</p>	

Respectfully submitted,

Kaz Kasal
Executive Coordinator