

CALIFORNIA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD FULL BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

May 22, 2024

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Members Present in Sacramento:

- Chairperson Dr. Imran Angelov “Angelo” Farooq
- Vice Chairperson Jamil Dada
- Chancellor Sonya Christian, represented by designee Vice Chancellor Tony Cordova
- Nancy Farias
- Secretary Mark Ghaly, represented by Designee Jim Suennen
- Leonard Gonzales
- Secretary Stewart Knox, represented by Designee Abby Snay
- Stephen Monteros
- Fabrizio Sasso
- Jeremy Smith
- Bruce Stenslie
- Director Joe Xavier

Members Present in Oakland:

- Dean Fealk
- Robert Redlo
- Gloria Young

Members Present in Los Angeles

- Diane Factor
- Laurence Frank
- Jason Haider

- Hilary Lentini

CWDB Staff:

- Kaina Pereira, Executive Director
- Jeffrey Jacobstein, Section Manager – Human Resources & Communications
- Myranda Love, Executive Analyst/Executive Directorate
- Ross Villegas, Communications Analyst – Operations & Program Implementation Branch
- Brooke Barnum-Roberts, Chief Counsel
- Ben McDonald, Deputy Counsel & Board Meeting Clerk

AGENDA

- A. Welcome and Opening Remarks
- B. Action Items
 - A. Roll Call
 - B. Approve March 27, 2024, Meeting Summary
 - C. Public Comment
- C. Updates and Discussion
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 - a. Labor Agency Update
 - b. Budget Update
 - c. Legislative Update
 - d. State Plan Update
 - e. Informal Item: SB 150 Follow-Up
 - f. Review of California Workforce Development Board’s Legislative Mandates and Compliance Efforts
 - B. Public Comment
- D. Other Business
- E. General Public Comment
- F. Final Roll Call and Adjournment

1. Opening Remarks & Action Items

- A. Roll Call & Call to Order
 - a. Chairperson Angelo Farooq called the meeting to order at approximately 10:01 am.
 - i. CWDB Deputy Counsel conducted roll call and found 19 members present and advised Mr. Farooq that a quorum was present.
 - b. Chairperson Farooq welcomed and introduced CWDB’s new Executive Director Kaina Pereira.
 - c. Chairperson Farooq also recognized the passing of long-standing CWDB board member and active leader in the private sector, Michael Gallo.

B. Approve March 27, 2024, Meeting Summary

- a. Dir. Stephen Monteros motioned to approve the March 27, 2024, Full Board Meeting Summary prepared by CWDB staff, Dir. Jamil Dada seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.
- b. Public Comment
 - i. None.

2. Updates and Discussion

A. Labor Agency Update & Budget Update

- a. Subject: Update from LWDA Secretary Knox's designee, Abby Snay, on LWDA budget, creation of New Career Education Master Plan with Governor's Office, Infrastructure Strike Team (IST) activities, and new LWDA partnership to build a new cooperation for workforce development using philanthropic funding. Dir. Diane Factor asked about the contents of the Master Plan and Ms. Snay noted that the program considers adult workers and disconnected youth. Dir. Factor asked if planning will consider the demand-side as California becomes a leader in the green economy and Ms. Snay agreed and said that it does. Dir. Factor requested a report from CA Jobs First Council and Chairperson Farooq acknowledged the request.
- b. Action/Vote Taken: None

B. Legislative Update

- a. Subject: Update from LWDA Secretary Knox's designee, Abby Snay, on forthcoming legislation to introduce a new system for teacher apprenticeship in the state.
- b. Action/Vote Taken: None

C. State Plan Update

- a. Subject: Update from CWDB's Executive Director on the State Plan and revisions. The updated report was submitted to the Department of Labor on May 9, 2024.
- b. Action/Vote Taken: None

D. Informal Item: SB 150 Follow-Up

- a. Subject: Informational briefing provided by CWDB Chief Counsel regarding SB 150 legislation.
- b. Action/Vote Taken: None

E. Review of California Workforce Development Board's Legislative Mandates and Compliance Efforts

- a. Subject: Informational Presentation from CWDB Chief Counsel regarding legislative mandate, followed by discussion regarding CWDB's ability to enforce labor equity and climate standards.
- b. Discussion and Motion to Agendize Item for Next Meeting

- i. Dir. Bruce Stenslie requested the adoption of a policy requiring labor equity and climate standards.
 - ii. Motion: Dir. Stenslie moved to agendize a discussion on labor equity and climate standards and enforcement for federal and state transportation infrastructure-related funds. Dir. Jeremy Smith seconded the motion and moved to amend to include a resolution by the CWDB regarding workforce standards. Dir. Leonard Gonzales seconded the new motion. Other board members weighed in on framing the future discussion.
 - c. Vote Taken: Agendize Item for Next Meeting
 - i. Yes: Chairperson Dr. Imran Angelov “Angelo” Farooq, Vice Chairperson Jamil Dada, Chancellor Sonya Christian, represented by designee Vice Chancellor Tony Cordova, Nancy Farias, Secretary Mark Ghaly, represented by Designee Jim Suennen, Leonard Gonzales, Secretary Stewart Knox, represented by Designee Abby Snay, Stephen Monteros, Fabrizio Sasso, Jeremy Smith, Bruce Stenslie, Director Joe Xavier, Robert Redlo, Gloria Young, Diane Factor, Laurence Frank, Jason Haider
 - ii. No: None
 - iii. Abstention: Dean Fealk
 - d. Motion passed with 18 votes
 - i. Executive Director agreed to meet with board members to determine the next steps for this motion.
- F. Public Comment was Received at Sacramento and Oakland Locations, and via Email
 - a. 1:23:09 – [Sacramento Public Comment](#)
 - b. 1:25:15 – [Oakland Public Comment](#)
 - c. 1:27:42 – [Emailed Public Comment](#)

3. Other Business

- A. Chairperson Farooq – Political Reform Act Compliance
 - a. Chairperson Farooq reminded the board that each member must submit a Statement of Economic Interest (Form 700).
- B. Dir. Hilary Lentini – Department of Rehabilitation Updates
 - a. Department of Rehabilitation is changing its name to “Disability Works California.”
 - b. Disability Works California will establish the Office of Employment First to guide strategic planning and support for workforce development for individuals with intellectual and development disabilities.
 - c. Behavioral Health Workforce reports are available to CWDB.
- C. Public Comment

- a. None

4. General Public Comments

- A. Received at Sacramento Location.
 - a. 1:33:27 – [Sacramento Public Comment](#)

5. Final Roll Call and Adjournment

- A. All CWDB business having concluded, Dir. Jamil Dada motioned to adjourn, and Dir. Stephen Monteros seconded the motion.
- B. Vote Taken
 - a. Yes Votes: Unanimous
- C. Adjournment
 - a. Chairperson Farooq adjourned the meeting at 11:39 am in loving memory of Michael Gallo.