Occupational Forecast Conference Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2017

I. Call to order

Todd McDonald called to order the regular meeting of the Occupational Forecast Conference at 9:38 am on November 6, 2017 at LWC Building 1001 N. 23rd St. Baton Rouge, Auditorium 4th floor. Meeting was moved to executive office on 1st floor of Annex Building due to technical difficulties.

II. Roll call

Kellie Taylor-White conducted a roll call. The following persons were present:

Quorum met: yes Number in attendance: 7

Here	Not	Member	Here	Designee
	\boxtimes	Governor John Bel Edwards	\boxtimes	Erin Monroe Wesley
\boxtimes		Executive Director Ava Dejoie		Kenneth Burrell
\boxtimes		Ms. Camille Conoway		
\boxtimes		Mr. Louis Reine		
\boxtimes		Chairman Todd McDonald		
	\boxtimes	Secretary Don Pierson	\boxtimes	Susie Schowen
	\boxtimes	Dr. Monty Sullivan	\boxtimes	Rene Cintron
	\boxtimes	Dr. Robert Newman		
	\boxtimes	Dr. Yu Hsing		
	\boxtimes	Mr. Alvin Williams		

III. Comments- WIC Chairman:

- IV. **Brief Overview of Occupational Forecasting**: WIC Director Kellie Taylor-White introduced the presenter Stephen Barnes. Stephen presented the PowerPoint presentation.
- V. Presentation of New Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Separation
 Methodology: Michael Wolf (Employment Projections Program) presented a
 PowerPoint Presentation via Webinar.

VI. Questions and Answers:

Louis Reine questioned the message sent to kids if Mathematicians is a low ranking occupation. Mr. Wolf clarified that Mathematician is not low ranking it is just number 10 of the top 10 growing jobs.

Cynthia Douglas asked about how message of new numbers will play to the public. Louis Reine questioned how certain occupations are moving in the number of stars.

Secretary Dejoie asked that all Mr. Wolf's slides be sent to the group.

VII. Wrap-up of Louisiana Effects:

Sachin Chintawar explained why and how 31 jobs will change the number of stars based on the new methodology.

Other Business

None

Public Comments

Adjournment

Todd McDonald adjourned the meeting at 11:39 am.

Minutes submitted by: Jawanda J. Givens

Minutes approved by: [Name]