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Workforce Investment Council

Occupational Forecast Conference Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2018

I. Call to order

Todd McDonald called to order the regular meeting of the Occupational Forecast Conference at **9:44 am** on **March 14, 2018** at Louisiana Workforce Commission, Executive Conference Room 1001 N. 23rd St., Meeting Room, Baton Rouge, LA 70802.

II. Roll call

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

Quorum met: Yes Number in attendance: 6 Quorum Roll Call -Quorum=6 No Time: 9:45 am Yes Not Member Here Here Designee **OFC Chairman** Todd McDonald \boxtimes \boxtimes Governor John Bel Edwards Erin Monroe Wesley **Executive** Director Ava Dejoie Joseph Hollins X \boxtimes Ms. Camille Conoway Mr. Louis Reine \boxtimes Secretary Don Pierson Susie Schowen \boxtimes Dr. Monty Sullivan \boxtimes Rene Cintron Dr. Robert Newman \boxtimes \boxtimes Dr. Yu Hsing \boxtimes Mr. Alvin Williams Jawanda Givens \boxtimes Meredith Trahant \boxtimes Rob Roux \boxtimes John Williams \boxtimes

- III. <u>Comments- WIC Chairman:</u> Thanked everyone for attending the meeting.
- IV. Review and approval of Previous Minutes:
 - Motioned by : Louis Reine
 - 2nd: Dr. Yu Hsing

V. <u>Brief Review of Occupational Forecasting Process</u>: Stephens
Barnes presented a PowerPoint presentation, Louisiana Industry Forecasts for 20192026.

Questions:

- Louis Reine asked how they got 8.2% on the Long Term Growth (2016-2026).
- Stephen Barnes answered: the number of jobs was factored in.
- Camille Conaway asked about the average annual growth number.
- Stephen stated he is showing total growth in the forecast.
- Chairman Todd McDonald How do we stack up against other states with a 16.4 percent growth over ten years?
- Stephen stated he would have to dig up more details out of the national projections to see how that compares.
- Louis Reine question about postal service jobs being excluded.

Stephen and Chelsea answered the question. Noting that because there are limited numbers of companies that provide postal services, to include would potentially allow someone to single out personally identifiable information and therefore federal privacy regulations require a suppression of potentially personally identifiable information on published documents but the numbers are still included in the overall data.

VI. Short Term Industry Forecasts (Statewide and Regional):

Comments: See above

Motion to recommend OFC Chairman Todd McDonald to send Short-Term and Long-Term Industry Forecasts for approval by the WIC.

Options for voting

1 st Motion	Louis Reine	Abstentions	Yes		None	\boxtimes
Motion 2 nd	Camille Conaway	Opposition	Yes		None	\boxtimes
		Approval	Yes	\boxtimes	None	

Yea	Nay	Abstain	Member	Ye	Na	Ab	Designee
			Governor John Bel				Erin Monroe
			Executive Director Ava	\boxtimes			Joseph Hollins
\boxtimes			Ms. Camille Conoway				
\boxtimes			Mr. Louis Reine				
\boxtimes			Mr. Todd McDonald				
			Secretary Don Pierson				Susie Schowen
			Dr. Monty Sullivan	\boxtimes			Rene Citron
			Dr. Robert Newman				
\boxtimes			Dr. Yu Hsing				
			Mr. Alvin Williams				

Unanimous vote

Comments:

None

VI. Other Business:

Dr. Hsing has asked that the meetings not be scheduled on Wednesdays. It conflicts with teaching schedules. Chairman has a conflict on Tuesdays. Asked the committee if we could move to Thursdays. Several said Thursdays don't work during legislative session and most of our votes fall during the legislative sessions.

Offered Friday as a compromise. Or Mondays. No. Friday is better. Kellie Taylor-White agreed to send out notes that move meeting from currently scheduled May 2nd to May 4th instead.

VII. **Public Comments**:

Adjournment

Todd McDonald adjourned the meeting at 10:21 am

Minutes submitted by: Jawanda J. Givens

Minutes approved by: [Name]