I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairman Charles Moniotte called to order the regular meeting of the Workforce Investment Council meeting at 9:36 am on June 27, 2017 at International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Hall 8181 Tom Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70815.

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

Number in attendance: 26 at 9:50 am.

Obtained forum: yes, 27 present at 9:57 am

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II. Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Review and approval of Previous Minutes: WIC Director Kellie Taylor-White reviewed minutes. Motioned to approve: Louis Reine
2nd, Susan Schowen
vote unanimous

Question: Dr. Rallo – IX b. on previous minutes. Will this happen at this meeting? (Board members will nominate 3 board members for OFC to Governor Edwards at the next meeting, June 22, 2017.) WIC Director Kellie Taylor-White stated, IXb. Is not. The nomination of three board members, as you know, is not on the agenda today. You were at the Executive Committee meeting where all agreed to table those nominations. The agenda is set by the chairman with his executive committee.

Vote to Review and approve previous minutes was unanimous.
III. Comments from Chair – Charles Moniotte introduced new WIC Director Kellie Taylor-White. Thanked everyone for attending.

IV. Life of Curt Eysink – Charles Moniotte- read the first couple lines of his obituary and asked that we have a moment of silence. David Helveston also spoke, at chairman’s request, about Curt’s contribution to higher education.

V. Presentation and Consideration for Approval of Short and Long-term Occupational Forecasts – Sachin Chintawar – PowerPoint Presentation. All attendees were issued a hard copy of both forecasts and issued documentation on “How WIOA Performance Data Works”.

Comments:
Sen. Conrad Appel requested data on economic rate and job growth nationally, average income growth verses jobs growth. He also stated wealth creation is a concern. Wants to know how we are trending. He would like a separate program on wage growth.

Mr. C.A. “Buck” Vandersteen – Inquired about information that represented rural communities. Asked Sachin how he captured the information. Sachin explained.

Public Comments:
Dr. Lisa Vosper requested to have education information regarding most significant source of education added. Sachin – explained the education level and wage information and the need to incorporate a range for education. They are looking into a process on how to provide information.

Marlow E. Foster – inquired about factors for growth and non-growth wages currently; difference between short and long picture without associate factors. Stephan Barnes, Susan Schowen and WIC Director Kellie Taylor-White explained.

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VI. Presentation and Consideration for Approval of IBCC Recommendations – WIC Director Kellie Taylor-White

a. Clinical Medical Assistant IBC

Comments: None

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VII. WDB # 70 participation on subcommittees – Nada Percival - suggested the WDB Directors participate in the WIC Council Meeting. She discussed the Industry Sector Partnerships around the state. She gave a breakdown of what happening in each region. She also discussed the endeavors of her region (northwest region) and what it is doing with the manufacturing industry. Would like to share with the board to help board understand what is happening in the local areas. Would like to develop sub-committee in local area. Charles stated they are working on the sub-committee idea. See report attached.

VIII. Presentation on Louisiana Rehabilitation Services – Bob Lobos

Amended agenda and minutes to change present title to Louisiana Rehabilitation Council.

Mr. Lobos is the chairperson for the council. Discussed the successes and challenges. Gave background on the LRC. He also explained the function of the LRC. “Getting people back to work”. Provided information on the currant state of the LRS. Asked that members consider working on the LRC and hiring clients of Louisiana Rehabilitation Services (LRS).

Erin Monroe-Wesley commented on dollars and waviers. Susan Schowen – requested specific info for people with disabilities.

Sen. Appel – will be releasing people from prison. Need jobs for those people being released. Need employers to hire them to keep them out of the system. He stated nothing works if we can’t find jobs for these people. We have to create jobs for people coming out of prison.
Kenneth Burrell – Re-entry program and Workforce Development working together to find work for prisoners being released; education department to train them. He discussed what is being worked on to assist in the effort to get released prisoners jobs.

Ken York – Stated he would second what Bob said. The reason they are not employed is because of the attitude of the hiring companies and managers. Charles invited Ken to come back and speak at future meetings. Charles also thanked Bob Lobos for attending the meeting and the presentation. See report attached.

IX. Discussion on current status of WIC – Charles Moniotte: stated the IBC committee is an extremely flexible committee and they were able to move this process quickly. “They are doing an outstanding job.” Discussed the effort of the group to upgrade the IBC process. Thanked IBC committee for their efforts and work. Charles stated to Erin Monroe-Wesley - Would like to have the general council to pursue roles and responsibilities of WIC regarding State Law.

X. Other Business: The handouts: “How WIOA Performance Data Works” flow charts from Charles Moniotte and “WIOA’s State Workforce Board. WIC” from Louisiana Workforce Commission. Chairman stated he would like to have report displaying how the WIC is meeting the guidelines required by the board. He asked that WIC Director Kellie Taylor-White produce such report. Rallo would like to have a more extensive flow chart. WIC Director Kellie Taylor-White assured Chairman Charles Moniotte she will compile a report of WIC since she started.

XI. Public Comments

XII. Adjournment: Chairman Charles Moniotte adjourned meeting at 11:42 a.m.