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**Workforce Development Board (WDB)
UC Merced Downtown Campus Center
655 W. 18th Street Rooms 105/106
Merced, CA 95340
October 10, 2019 2:00 p.m.
Meeting Minutes**

Members Present:

Leslie Abasta-Cummings
Margarita Cabalbag
Jorge De Nava Jr.
Steve Hobbs

Joshua Lepper
Daron McDaniel
Jack Mobley
Tim O'Neill

Tim Robertson
Stergios (Steve) Roussos
Peter Schuerman
Steve Tietjen

Members Absent:

Mike Altomare
Amie Marchini
Mark Henrickson

Steve Newvine
Terry Nichols
Vinton Thengvall

Greg Vincelet

Others Present:

JoAnn Corona
Reyna Espinoza
Nick Loret de Mola

David Mirrione
Holly Newlon
Daphne Post

Vilma Reynoso
Penny Weaver

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1. Call to Order/Roll Call – Leslie Abasta-Cummings, Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:11 p.m.
 2. Approval of Agenda: It was *M/S/C Tietjen/De Nava* to approve the agenda as published.
 3. Approval of August 22, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes: It was *M/S/C De Nava/Hobbs* to approve the August 22, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes as presented.
 4. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: There were no comments.
 5. Chair Comments: There were no comments by Chair, Ms. Abasta-Cummings.
 6. Director Comments
Director Mirrione provided an introduction to the meeting and topics to be discussed. Mr. Mirrione also reported on AB583 that was passed and signed in law.
 7. Action/Discussion
 - a. Laborers International Union of North America Construction Training Program at the California Autotech Testing Development Center (CATDC)
Mr. Loret De Mola reported that out of the 123 who entered training 87 were placed with an average salary of \$20.50 per hour with 55 of those working in construction with average wage of \$24 per hour.

b. Merced Healthcare Summit Update

Mr. Loret De Mola provided an update on Merced Healthcare Summit. He reported that staff continue to meet with healthcare sector partners, build relationships, and to respond to the sector's request to focus on soft skills development with training.

c. Adult and Dislocated Worker Career Services Transition Update

Director Mirrione reported on the transition of Adult and Dislocated Worker Career Services to ResCare Workforce Services, including progress on staffing at the Merced and Los Banos America's Job Centers.

8. Presentations

a. Ms. Daphne Post, MCOE Coordinator, presented information on the EMPOWER Youth Program. She provided the Board Members a copy of a list of participants and their work sites. Mr. O'Neill requested an updated list to be provided with hourly rates listed.

b. Mr. Jorge de Nava, Board Member and CVOC Executive Director, reported on the Central Valley Opportunity Center with a PowerPoint presentation and handout. Mr. De Nava provided an overview of the CVOC history and various services and programs including a description of their facilities, training, seasonal employment, and mobile services.

9. Reports

a. 2019-20 WIOA Adult Services Dashboard Reports

Director Mirrione reported that 2019-20 WIOA Adult Services are going well. Ms. Reyna Esponza presented information about the placements and Director Mirrione reported that the partnership with the Merced County Human Services Agency (HSA) is going well.

b. 2019-20 WIOA Youth Services Dashboard Reports

Mr. Loret de Mola reported on 2019-20 WIOA Youth Services Dashboard Reports and reported that the programs are meeting and exceeding its goals.

c. 2019-20 Worknet Business Services Dashboard Report

Ms. Reyna Espinoza reported on the 2019-20 Worknet Business Services Dashboard. Espinoza announced that the September 26th Annual Job Fair was very successful with 69 businesses and 241 job seekers in attendance. She reported that they also had a Veteran's Hiring Event with 80 Veterans in attendance. She reported that on October 16th, Merced Community College was hosting a hiring event.

d. 2019-20 Fiscal Dashboard Report

Director Mirrione reported on the Fiscal Dashboard Report. Director Mirrione reported that overall everything was going well.

10. Next Meeting: 2:00 p.m., December 12, 2019

Location: Merced County Administration Building, 2222 M Street (3rd Floor) Conference Room 310.

11. Adjourn

Leslie Abasta-Cummings, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 3:22 p.m.