

**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD  
of San Luis Obispo County  
BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**Date:** Thursday, October 17, 2019  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m.  
**Location:** Department of Social Services, 3433 South Higuera, Room 356, San Luis Obispo, CA

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**Present:** Isiah Gomer, Chuck Jehle, Jim Yancheson, Kirk Coviello, Verena Latona-Tahlman, Judy Mahan

**Absent:** John Cascamo, Michael Specchierla

**Staff:** Dawn Boulanger, Sarah Hayter, Diana Marin

**Guest:** Irene Ornelas, Jen Miller, Brian Coleman

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**1. Call to Order:**

**Chair Isiah Gomer:** called the meeting to order at 9:05 A.M. **Quorum.**

**2. Public Comment:**

**Chair Gomer:** noted no public in attendance therefore no public comment.

**3. Consent Items:**

**3.1 Approve the August 15, 2019**

Motion: Chuck Jehle

Second: Kirk Coviello

Abstentions: None

**Motion Passed Unanimously**

**4. Information/Discussion:**

**4.1 Receive update on License Prep Course at Cuesta College**

Report was not given as member was absent.

**4.2 Receive Report on SLO County Health Workforce Forum**

Jennifer Miller (guest) and Irene Ornelas (guest) reported on the item. They stated that the forum had been well attended and that many issues had been discussed and brought to light. The event concluded that there is a high demand for workforce in the Health Industry.

**4.3 Create Action Plan to Promote Healthcare Career Awareness**

The committee discussed possible resources to address workforce issues in the healthcare industry including employer involvement and possible in house (on the job) training models. A proposal to create an action plan for this item was presented and is available as part of the agenda. The item will be further discussed at the next meeting.

**4.4 Create Action Plan for Downtown SLO Business Walk**

Diana Marin (staff) presented the item. The business walk would involve a survey and would be conducted in the Downtown San Luis Obispo area to check the health of the business community. A sample survey and volunteer letters were provided to the council and are available as part of the Agenda.

**5. Council Member Workforce Development Updates:**

**Chair Gomer:** opened the floor to updates from the Committee membership  
None

**6. Next Meeting:**

Thursday, December 19, 2019 9:00am-10:30am

Department of Social Services, 3433 South Higuera, Room 356, San Luis Obispo, CA

**7. Adjournment:**

**Chair Gomer:** adjourned the meeting at 10:30 A.M.

I, Diana Marin, Clerk of the Business Council of the Workforce Development Board of San Luis Obispo, do hereby certify that the forgoing is a fair statement of the proceedings of the meeting held Thursday, October 17, 2019 by the Business Council of the Workforce Development Board of San Luis Obispo County.

Diana Marin, Business Council Clerk

Dated: October 17, 2019