



Workforce and Talent Development Board (WTDB)

Essential Employability Skills Taskforce

MINUTES VIRTUAL MEETING

**May 26, 2020
1:30p-3:00p**

Conference call: **877-810-9415; Access Code 9550046**

Persons wishing to testify during public comment period should email Sydney.G.King@oregon.gov 12 hours prior to the meeting.

Times approximate and order of agenda items may vary.

Members:

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DAVID CONLEY

JIM TAYLOR

Staff:

Todd Nell

Sydney King

Clay Martin

Members Present: Anne Mersereau (Co-Chair), Melinda Rogers (Co-Chair), Lauren Corbett, Tony Frazier, Jason Galbraith, Jessica Howard, Heidi Larwick, Andrew McGough, Olivia Nell, Cathy Reynolds, Myronda Schiding, Tom Thompson, Laurie Cremona-Wagner, David Conley

Staff Present: Sydney King, Clay Martin, Todd Nell

Standing Business

1.0 Organizational Business

1:30p 1.1 Co-Chair Anne Mersereau brought the meeting to order at 1:32pm. She conducted roll call and reviewed the agenda.

1:40p 2.0 **Public Comment:** None.

Strategic Leadership

3.0 Workforce and Education

1:40p 3.1 Todd Nell introduced the Essential Employability Skills Taskforce and discussed the goals the taskforce hopes to achieve.

1:50p 3.2 Heidi Larwick presented on her program, Elevate Lane County, a career-connected program. She went over the statistics of her county and how 21st Century Learning has affected the diverse population of Lane County. They currently have very good participation in high schools and colleges, but are lacking in middle and elementary schools.

2:10p 3.3 Andrew McGough of Worksystems in the city of Portland and Multnomah County, discussed how they as a local workforce board use 21st Century Skills. Worksystems is working to streamline how to group young people with these skills for employers to pull from with specific skills sets and competencies.

2:30p 3.4 David Conley, who spoke at the 2020 Oregon Talent Summit, discussed the importance of these three topics:

- Regionalized strategy with a lot of tools
- High school programs incorporating 21st century skills, identifying key groups going forward
- Restructuring post-secondary education to developing individual employment preparation.

Strategic Management

- 2:50p** **5.0 Strategy, Planning and Execution**
5.1 Todd Nell went over the draft charter, outlining the goals and deadlines of the Essential Employability Skills Taskforce.
- Draft report due by September 11, 2020 full WTDB meeting.
 - Final report will be due late November, early December 2020.
 - The next EES meeting will be held in July.

3:00p **Adjourned at 2:58pm.**

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