



Workforce/GAC Joint Advisory Committee Meeting

Tuesday March 26, 2025, Noon. – 1:30 p.m.

Via Zoom

Approved **MINUTES**

Members Present:

Industry Representatives:

Nate Daum, City of Shoreline (Chair)

Mike Schulte, workforce, ESD

Leslie Patten, Worksource, SeaKing/Business Services

Emmanuel Flores, Washington State Labor Council AFLCIO

Shoreline Public Schools:

Dan Gallagher, Director of CTE

Roxie Brendible, CTE Specialist

Shoreline Community College:

Fikru Diro - Program Specialist, Worker Retraining

Lauren Hadley, Director of Workforce, Shoreline Community College

Welcome and Introductions: Nate Daum

Nate welcomed the committee and opened the meeting at 12:00pm

Committee approved Minutes from the May 14 & October 17, 2024 meetings

City of Shoreline Economic Development Presentation

Nate presented and led discussion around *The Economic Development Strategic Plan 2025-2029 for city planning and looking ahead at Shoreline programs and meeting the needs of the local and regional employers,*

Nathan also led a discussion regarding the impact and needs regarding our local workers and immigrant community.

SCC Worker Retraining Program Mix

Lauren & Fikru Presented the annual Worker Retraining Mix

- **The committee approved the annual Worker Retraining Mix for the 2026 Fiscal Year.**

Reauthorizing of the vulnerable Worker Status eligibility criteria.

The State Board of Community and Technical colleges require us to get the yearly approval of the Worker Retraining Advisory board regarding the use of the Vulnerable Worker Status eligibility criteria. To meet this eligibility criteria, one must meet two of the following three reasons.

- 1) *If a person's previous occupation is in decline.*
- 2) *If a person has no degree and /or less than 45 College credits.*
- 3) *To remain employed, if a person needs to obtain skills upgrade.*

- **The committee approved *Reauthorizing of the vulnerable Worker Status eligibility criteria for the 2025/2026 Academic calendar.***

Shoreline School District & College Updates

Lauren led a discussion around the DOE closure and changes in the Federal funding.

Meeting Adjourned: 1:25pm

**Next meeting date:
May 2025**