

Boulder County Workforce Development Board Meeting

(Full Board – Virtual Meeting)

March 14, 2025

An introduction of Board members and meeting attendees was done prior to calling the meeting to order

Meeting called to order 8:15 a.m.

Executive Board Attending: Erin Jones, Corine Waldau, Bernadine Sharp, Craig Foster, Karl Gerken

Consent Items:

All consent items were approved. No questions were asked.

Director Update – Erin Jones:

Erin went through a presentation which reviewed the Board's mission, goals, priorities and funding. Discussion highlights include:

- (Action) The Board members can be ambassadors to individuals and businesses, letting them know of WfBC services.
- (Action) Board can reach out to WfBC staff to help them understand the dynamics of your particular business or industry.
- There is currently a funding deficit with WfBC. Discussions are occurring and Erin is hopeful that it will be resolved
- WIOA funding is a little less than 30% of the organizations funding. WIOA decreased last year with WIOA youth funding down 17%.
- (Action) The CDLE is sponsoring town halls for displaced Federal workers. Please communicate this to people or businesses who can benefit
- (Action) Please share the PDF file outlining WfBC services and how to access them.
- Nora Saenz highlighted that the business services team provides rapid response services for mass layoffs. There are varying levels of services ranging from simply emailing resources to setting up employee workshops. Additionally, layoff aversion services are available

Changing workforce dynamic discussion – Corine Waldau

- Is there a way that Board members can volunteer at WfBC to better understand what goes on? Erin will investigate this

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Call to Action – Erin Jones

Board members can be ambassadors for WfBC in a number of ways, including:

- Letting the community, individuals and businesses know of the services that WfBC provides
- Letting WfBC staff know of ways to connect
- Reaching out to WfBC staff with any questions

Meeting was adjourned at 9:28 a.m.