

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT

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Local Workforce Investment Board for the City and County of San Francisco

Draft Minutes of The

June 3, 2026

Meeting of the Workforce Investment San Francisco (WISF) War Memorial
Veterans Building, Green Room, 2nd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102

WISF Members Present

Jeanine Cotter, Chair, Luminalt Solar
Sam Rodriguez, Vice Chair, Rodriguez Strategic Partners LLC
Tony Delorio, Teamster Local Union No.665
Christina Sellami, Marriott International
Kim Tavaglione, San Francisco Labor Council
Jorge Tapia, EDD
David De La Torre, LiUNA! Local Union 261
Lynn Mahoney, San Francisco State University
Laurie Thomas, Golden Gate Restaurant Association

Shamann Walton, San Francisco Board of Supervisors
Denise Dorsey, California Department of Rehabilitation
Michon Coleman, Hospital Council-Northern & Central California
John Halpin, City College of San Francisco
Madison Tam for Matt Dorsey, San Francisco Board of Supervisors
Lan Huynh Lee, SF Giants
Meaghan Mitchell, SF Standard
Alex Wong, Kaiser Permanente

WISF Members Absent

Vikrum Aiyer, Heirloom
Paul Hinz, Swinerton
Tony Delorio, Teamster Local Union No.665
John Doherty, IBEW Local 6
Charley Lavery, Operating Engineers Local 3
Angela Tamayo, SEIU-UHW West
Shanell Williams, Rafiki Coalition

Bruce Callander, HUB International
Ay'Anna Moody, Golden State Community Foundation

Ohlone Land Acknowledgement, Announcements & Housekeeping (Discussion Item)

Jeanine Cotter, WISF Chair, introduced herself and called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.
Secretary Jennifer Salerno (OEWD) opened the meeting by reciting the Ohlone Land Acknowledgement.

Roll Call (Discussion Item)

Secretary Salerno conducted roll call. Quorum was not initially present, but it was achieved at 9:10 am.

Chair's Welcome (Discussion Item)

Chair Cotter thanked WISF members and the general public for attending the hybrid WISF meeting at the War Memorial Green Room and remotely on Zoom. Chair Cotter commented on a letter the Executive Committee developed addressing a reduction in staffing at OEWD.

Chair Cotter introduced Anne Taupier, Executive Director of OEWD, who gave remarks on the challenging budget cycle. Director Taupier introduced Diana Ponce De Leon as the Acting Director of Workforce Development. Director Ponce de Leon made remarks about her experience with the department and community economic development.

**Adoption of
the Agenda for
June 3, 2026**

(Action Item)

Chair Cotter called for comments on the agenda for the June 3, 2026 meeting, clarifying that due to the absence of a quorum, voting would be postponed until the next WISF Board Meeting or until quorum was achieved.

Once quorum was met, a motion to approve the June 3, 2026 meeting agenda was made by Member Tavaglione and seconded by Member De La Torre. The item was unanimously approved.

**Approval of
Minutes for
March 11,
2026**

(Action Item)

Chair Cotter called for comments on the March 11, 2026 draft meeting minutes, clarifying that due to the absence of a quorum, voting would be postponed until the next WISF Board Meeting or until quorum was achieved.

Chair Cotter noted that Member Walton was not at the meeting, but the Supervisor was represented by Tracy Gallardo and requested a correction to reflect this.

Once quorum was met, a motion to approve the March 11, 2026 meeting minutes with Chair Cotter's recommended edit was made by Member Tavaglione and seconded by Member Halpin. The item was unanimously approved.

**Executive
Director's Report**
*(Discussion
Item)*

Chair Cotter introduced Executive Director, Anne Taupier, to provide the Executive Director's report. Director Taupier highlighted several key economic indicators reflecting progress in San Francisco's revitalization efforts. She noted that office vacancy rates have declined to 32.6%, driven in part by strong growth in the AI sector, alongside increases in both Muni ridership and hotel occupancy.

She also reviewed the City's unemployment rate, which remains steady at 3.5%, discussed historical unemployment trends, and examined employment shifts across major industries.

Director Taupier then asked Interim Director Diana Ponce De León to provide updates on division accomplishments, including recent job fairs, client success stories, the latest CityBuild graduation, participation in SF Climate Week, and a recent California Jobs First convening.

**WIOA Allocations
– FY 2026-2027**
(Action Item)

Chair Cotter introduced OEWD Chief Financial Officer Merrick Pascual to present on the WIOA Allocations for FY 2026-2027. He made remarks on increases in State WIOA allocations to San Francisco of approximately \$500,000 year-over-year. CFO Pascual described the strategy for allocation of WIOA funds and reviewed the grantee allocations.

Member Tavaglione asked about the impacts of HR1 on the budget. Director Taupier noted that OEWD is working across agencies to support workers who are no longer eligible for public benefits.

Vice-Chair Rodriguez inquired about the allocation of Dislocated Worker funds and whether any of those funds remained unspent. CFO Pascual confirmed that the funds had been allocated and explained that OEWD has the flexibility to transfer WIOA funding between the Adult and Dislocated Worker programs as needed to maximize utilization and meet program demands.

Member Gallardo requested whether the motion before the board would support executing contracts sooner. Member Tapia asked about the allocation of WIOA funding for staff positions. CFO Pascual explained that approximately 24 staff members are supported by WIOA funding. In response to a follow-up question regarding the distinction between staff count and full-time equivalent (FTE) positions, CFO Pascual clarified that the associated personnel costs equate to approximately 14 FTEs.

Member Dorsey inquired about the projected spend-down of WIOA funds for the current fiscal year. CFO Pascual indicated that he did not have the information readily available but would provide it in a follow-up communication.

Public comment was opened. No members of the public requested to speak.

A motion to approve the FY 2026–27 WIOA allocations as presented by OEWD was made by Member Gallardo and seconded by Member Tavaglione. There were no votes in opposition. Member Denise Dorsey abstained. The budget passed.

**Public Comment
on Non-Agenda
Items**
(Discussion Item)

Chair Cotter opened the meeting for public comment. Secretary Salerno provided instruction for public comment and shared that those in a virtual space could provide public comment in the chat. Seeing no in-person or virtual comments, Chair Cotter closed this agenda item.

Adjournment
(Action Item)

Chair Cotter thanked the members for attending and reminded the Board that the next meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 2, 2026.

A motion to adjourn was made by Member Tavaglione and seconded by Member Delorio. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 AM.