



# EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ROUNDTABLE ACTION MINUTES

March 5, 2024

The Education and Workforce Development Roundtable of the City of Mesa met in The Studios at Mesa City Center, 59 E. 1st St., on March 5, 2024, at 1:32 p.m.

## BOARDMEMBERS PRESENT

Councilmember Heredia, Chair  
Councilmember Spilsbury, Vice Chair  
Dr. Perry Berry  
Candice Copple  
Dr. Joseph Foy\*  
Sally Harrison  
Marcie Hutchinson  
Jenny Jackson Robinson  
Dr. David Loutzenheiser (Designee  
for Sherry Richards)  
Dr. Shane McCord  
Rich Nickel\*  
Renee Parker (Designee for Dr. Andi  
Fourlis)  
Kelsy Rowe (Designee for Dr. Chad  
Wilson)  
Kristin Sorensen  
David Williams  
Vince Yanez

## BOARDMEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Richard Daniel

## COUNCIL PRESENT

None

## STAFF PRESENT

Andrea Alicoate  
Lisa Anderson  
Heather Basford  
Lisa Cartwright-Harris  
Lauren Lowe  
Rafaella Safarian  
Sarah Tolar

## ALSO PRESENT:

(\*Participated in the meeting through the use of video conference equipment.)

Chairperson Heredia conducted a roll call.

Chairperson Heredia excused Boardmember Daniel from the entire meeting.

Chairperson Heredia excused Boardmembers Copple and Rowe from the beginning of the meeting; they arrived at 1:45 p.m.

### 1. Call meeting to order, welcome announcements and reminders from the Chair.

Chairperson Heredia called the meeting to order. He welcomed Dr. David Loutzenheiser, Higley

Unified School District; Designee Kelsey Rowe, East Valley Institute of Technology; and Designee Renee Parker, Director of Community Partnerships with Mesa Public Schools.

2. Take action to approve the Roundtable Meeting Minutes from December 4, 2024.

It was moved by Boardmember Harrison, seconded by Boardmember Jackson-Robinson, that the December 4, 2024, Education and Workforce Development Roundtable (EWDR) meeting minutes be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Heredia–Spilsbury–Berry–Copples–Foy–Harrison–Hutchinson–Jackson-Robinson–Loutzenheiser–McCord–Nickel–Parker–Rowe–Sorensen–Williams–Yanez  
NAYS – None  
ABSENT – Daniel

Chairperson Heredia declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

3. Recognition and introduction of Mayor Freeman.

Presentation and discussion only; no formal action taken by the Board.

4. City staff to provide an update on the Roundtable Strategic Framework based on the discussion from the December 2024 meeting.

Presentation and discussion only; no formal action taken by the Board.

5. Update and presentation from City staff on Education and Workforce Data Dashboard.

Presentation and discussion only; no formal action taken by the Board.

6. Presentation from City staff on Opioid data and settlement funds. Discussion with student panel on prevention and education opportunities in Mesa.

Presentation and discussion only; no formal action taken by the Board.

(At 2:35 p.m. Chairperson Heredia excused Boardmember Harrison from the remainder of the meeting.)

(At 2:45 p.m. Chairperson Heredia excused Boardmember Nickel from the remainder of the meeting.)

7. Roundtable members share out information regarding their involvement in recent and upcoming education or workforce-related events or programs.

Presentation and discussion only; no formal action taken by the Board.

(At 2:52 p.m. Chairperson Heredia excused Boardmember Foy from the remainder of the meeting.)

8. Call to the public.

There were no public comments.

9. Call for future agenda items.

There were no future agenda items discussed.

10. Adjourn.

Without objection, the Education and Workforce Development Roundtable meeting adjourned at 3:03 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Education and Workforce Development Roundtable meeting of the City of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

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HOLLY MOSELEY, CITY CLERK

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(Attachments – 1)