

EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ROUNDTABLE ACTION MINUTES

December 6, 2023

The Education and Workforce Development Roundtable of the City of Mesa met in The Studios at Mesa City Center, 59 E. 1st St., on December 6, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

BOARDMEMBERS PRESENT	BOARDMEMBERS ABSENT	STAFF PRESENT
Councilmember Spilsbury, Chair	Dr. Shane McCord	Lisa Cartwright-Harris
Councilmember Heredia, Vice Chair	Dr. Joe O'Reilly	Natalie Lewis
Amber Border (Designee for Dr. Perry Berry)	Vince Yanez	Lauren Lowe
Candice Copple		Holly Moseley
Dr. Andi Fournalis	COUNCIL PRESENT	Erin Romaine
Dr. Joe Foy		Bryan Smith
Sally Harrison	None	Sarah Tolar
Sherry Richards		
Jenny Jackson Robinson		
Dr. Tammy Robinson		
Kelsey Rowe (Designee for Dr. Chad Wilson)		
Dr. Terry Layba Ruiz (Designee for Rich Nickel)		
Kristen Sorensen		
David Williams		

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

Chairperson Spilsbury called the meeting to order. She introduced new Boardmembers, Dr. Joe Foy, President Benedictine University and Kristin Sorensen, Boeing Senior Community and Government Specialist. She welcomed Kelsey Rowe, Amber Border, and Dr. Terry Layba Ruiz as designees.

Dr. Andi Fournalis introduced her guest Elaine LaFontsee, Instructional Coach at Mendoza Elementary School.

Chairperson Spilsbury announced that the schedule of future meetings would be March 6, June 5, September 4, and December 4, 2024. All meetings would be held at The Studios @ Mesa City Center.

2. Take action to approve the Roundtable Meeting Minutes from September 6, 2023.

It was moved by Boardmember Jackson Robinson, seconded by Boardmember Williams, that the September 6, 2023, Education and Workforce Development Roundtable meeting minutes be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Spilsbury–Heredia–Border–Copple–Foullis–Foy–Harrison–Richards–Robinson–
Robinson–Rowe–Ruiz–Sorensen–Williams

NAYS – None

ABSENT– McCord–O’Reilly–Yanez

Chairperson Spilsbury declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

3. Update from City, Governor’s Office and Mesa Public Schools Staff on Governor’s Educator Retention Task Force.

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

4. Presentation by ASU Staff on Universal Learner Courses and Accelerate ASU.

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

5. Hear presentation from Arizona Board of Regents on FAFSA strategic plan, programming and initiatives.

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

6. Discuss and take action on Roundtable’s support of City of Mesa FAFSA Proclamation for month of January.

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

7. Update from City Staff on Read On Mesa Initiative, Higher Ed Convening and Job Connect Mesa Platform development and implementation process. Discussion and questions about progress.

Chairperson Spilsbury stated that this item would be continued to a future date.

8. 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.

9. Call to the public.

There were no public comments.

10. Call for future agenda items.

There were no future agenda items discussed.

11. Adjourn.

Without objection, the Education and Workforce Development Roundtable meeting adjourned at 3:02 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 6th day of December 2023. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

HOLLY MOSELEY, CITY CLERK

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(Attachments-3)