

**CareerSource Southwest Florida
Business & Economic Development Committee
Meeting Minutes
January 30, 2025
3:00 p.m.**

Members Present:

John Talmage-Chair
Keitha Daniels
Rosemary Fllori-Virtual

Sarah Harrington-Virtual
Adrian Llanes-Virtual
Michael Wukitsch-Virtual

Members Absent:

Brent Kettler
Adrian Kerr
Sloan Nagy

Interested Parties Present:

Melanie Schmees

Guest Present:

Angelo Biasi, Founder/Chief Problem Solver, Solvably
Guido Minaya, CEO/Chief Learning Officer, Minaya Learning Global Solutions LLC

Staff Present:

Peg Elmore
Edward Fritz
Silvana Koharian

Rebecca Sandholdt
Lyntoria Thomas
Bill Welch

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm by Chair, John Talmage. The quorum was confirmed. Welcomes and Introductions were made, "Welcome to the first meeting of 2025, thank you for coming!"-John Talmage.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT- None

III. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 15, 2024 MEETING MINUTES

Keitha Daniels made a motion to approve the August 15, 2024 meeting minutes;
Adrian Llanes seconded; the motion was unanimously approved.

IV. STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Peg Elmore, President/CEO of CareerSource Southwest Florida, provided an update on the draft strategic plan. One of the key objectives is to enhance awareness of CSSWF's capabilities, opportunities, and services. Aligning with this objective are measurable key results. Peg highlighted one such key result: expanding services to new or first-time employers. The Business & Economic Development Committee has set a goal of achieving a three percent annual increase in serving new employers.

V. AI LITERACY

Angelo Biasi, Founder and Chief Problem Solver for Solvably gave a detailed overview of how Solvably contributes to AI Literacy, Human Intelligence, and Workforce Innovation. Angelo explained a great number of businesses and their employees believe AI is going to replace humans. Angelo explained the greatest education and workforce transformation of our lifetime is perspective, the ability to innovate is one differentiator most successful companies and institutions have in common, AI is a force multiplier, and it is time to start solving problems using AI and not worry about problems that may be caused by AI.

VI. COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

March 12, 2025 at 11:00am

April 23, 2025 at 9:00am

May- TBD

June- TBD

VII. OPEN FORUM- None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT- The meeting adjourned at 4:32pm.