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Good morning,

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Thank you again for attending at ELAC earlier this month the Policy and Alignment Subcommittee meeting of the L.A. County WIB-Community College Collaborative. My apologies for the delay but I wanted to get some brief notes and summary of next steps out to everyone.

Members Present: Kevin Anderson (L.A. County WIB), Laura Cantu (ELAC), Yolanda Castro (SELACO) Steve Chase (Foothill WIB), Paul De La Cerda (ELAC), David Eder (L.A. City WIB), Erick Serrato (Pacific Gateway WIB), Marcia Wilson (L.A. Trade Tech)

Attendees discussed the three priorities identified at the January 2015 meeting

1. First Priority: Cross-Representation on Local Workforce Development Boards (WDBs) and Community College Industry Advisory Councils (Kevin Anderson and David Eder)

Community colleges in attendance provided an overview of Industry Advisory Councils, which are required for all CTE programs. Under Perkins, CTE Programs must meet at least 2X annually and a majority should be small business. At ELAC, one of the largest is Engineering Technology. At Trade Tech, there is variation in terms of the level of representatives and their effectiveness. It was noted that sometimes industry will send low-level engineers and sometimes the Councils may largely rubber stamp curricula.

There was also discussion that Community Colleges need to be represented on WIBs at the level of President or Deans.

At ELAC, there is a new Dean who is creating a new model on how to use Advisory Boards for all Perkins-funded programs. Paul will help ensure we loop him in moving forward.

2. Second Priority: Regional Industry Sector Advisory Groups in priority sectors beginning with Healthcare and Transportation/Logistics Sectors (Eric Serrato and Mike Slavich)

There was discussion of the possibility of organizing regional sector convenings in the Healthcare and Transportation/Logistics. However, it was felt that additional work was needed to map existing efforts/meetings/convenings to identify what could be leveraged before creating something from scratch.

3. Third Priority: Regional WIB Policy and Approach to ETPL including direct contracting with community colleges and shared/common application tool (Patricia Ramos, David Eder and Yolanda Castro)

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This item was discussed briefly and then tabled as there is another Subcommittee focusing on Training and ETPL issues that we need to coordinate with.

Next Steps:

1. **Yolanda Castro** to send email to L.A. County WIB Directors to get baseline information related to each WIB's current plans to work with community colleges and include them on their Boards.
2. **Erick Serrato** to map out existing meetings of Deputy Sector Navigators, Sector Intermediaries, Chambers of Commerce etc. and host the compiled information on Pacific-Gateway website as shared resource.
3. **Laura Cantu** to aggregate information on Industry Advisory Councils across L.A. County colleges by CTE program (what industries, membership/chair, meeting schedules and recent key decisions) and once collected Pacific-Gateway will host on its website as shared resource for all. If you represent a WIB, plan to attend an Industry Advisory Council meeting in your local area if you have not.
4. Stay tuned for more information about a May 7th event in Los Angeles with a community college president from Detroit who will share expertise about regional collaboration among WIBs and community colleges.
5. Look out for upcoming SB1070 consortia meetings coordinated by Laura Cantu (City Consortia) and Lyla Eddington (Ring Consortia) to attend and engage in the regional career pathways alignment efforts.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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