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**GOLDEN SIERRA
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD**

**REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA**

Thursday, September 17, 2026 @ 1:00 pm

**Roseville Chamber of Commerce
650 Douglas Blvd.
Roseville, CA 95678**

The Golden Sierra Workforce Development Board convenes industry leaders and key partners to provide strategic oversight, policy and regional coordination to drive positive outcomes for employers and job seekers.

Golden Sierra Job Training Agency Workforce Development Board is conducting this meeting on Zoom.

Members of the public are encouraged to participate in the meeting by submitting written comments by email to keefe@goldensierra.com.

Public comments will be accepted until the adjournment of the meeting, distributed to the Workforce Development Board and included in the record.

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 - Discussion
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AI Impact on the Workforce: Prompts for Discussion:
 1. What basic level of AI literacy should every job seeker have, regardless of occupation or education level?
 2. Where could the workforce board add the most value: partners, gathering intelligence, supporting training, advising employers, demonstrating responsible practices, or advocating for resources?
 3. One year from now, what evidence would convince us that our response to AI is producing value for employers, workers, and job seekers?

XII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS

- January Strategic Planning Retreat
- LMID Presentation, Cara Welch-EDD
- AJCC Comprehensive and Affiliate/Specialized Certification
- Regional and Local Plan for PY 2025-2028 (2 Year Modification)
- Local Area Board Subsequent Designation and Local Board Recertification for PY 2027-2029

XIII. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, November 19, 2026 @ 1:00 p.m.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

**GOLDEN SIERRA
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

Thursday, July 16, 2026 @ 1:00 pm

**Roseville Chamber of Commerce
650 Douglas Blvd.
Roseville, CA 95678**

Teleconference Location:

El Dorado Hills Chamber of Commerce
2023 Vine St.#105
El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

I. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Quorum was established and meeting called to order at 1:00 pm by Vice-Chair Ghadban. Welcomed new member Daniel Chapnick.

☒ Rick Larkey (Chair)

☐ Rana Ghadban* (Vice-Chair)

☒ Amy Schulz

☐ Jeff Richard

☒ Tink Miller*

☒ Daniel Chapnick

☒ Jennifer Poff

☒ Tom Williams

☒ Debbie Manning*

☒ Jessica Rivera

☒ Vivian Hernandez-Obaldia

☒ Eric Henkel

☒ Michael Snead

☐ Volma Volcy

☒ Janis Aydelott

☒ Scott Alvord

☒ William Reed

☒ Jason Buckingham

☐ Steven Casperite

GSJTA Staff:

☒ Melissa Keefe

☒ Lisa Nelson

☒ Darlene Galipo

Guests: Cara Welch-EDD LMID, Tamra Thomas-EDD

**Denotes late arrival or early departure*

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve agenda, as presented, by Reed, second by Williams

Motion approved unanimously

III. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be approved by one blanket motion.

- a) Approval of minutes from May 21, 2026, WDB Meeting
- b) Review of minutes from May 21, 2026, EC Meeting
- c) Attendance log

Motion to approve consent agenda items a-c by Snead, second by Reed

Motion approved unanimously

**Miller arrived @ 1:04pm*

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT – FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

V. APPROVE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Buckingham reported out as outlined in the agenda packet.

Motion to approve Poff to Executive Committee as presented, by Reed, second by Schulz

Motion approved unanimously

VI. PRESENTATION – LABOR MARKET INFORMATION

Cara Welch, EDD (LMID); presentation was given, roundtable discussion occurred. Information only - no action required.

VII. UPDATE – SIERRA WORKFORCE SUMMIT

Amy Schulz, Sierra College Executive Dean of Workforce and Strategic Initiatives, provided information and distributed brochures and handouts. A roundtable discussion followed. Information only; no action required.

VIII. STRATEGIC PLAN

- A roundtable discussion was held, and handouts were provided. No action was required. Buckingham requested that the original timelines be reviewed and revised, if needed, at the January WDB meeting.
- **Employer Engagement**
Buckingham provided a verbal report out. Key Results #1 and #2 are completed. Key Result #3 is currently in process; infographic was provided. Information only – no action required.

- **System Coordination and Accessibility**

Demonstration for AI-Enabled Workforce Ecosystem Knowledge base is scheduled for the September WDB meeting. Information only - no action required.

- **Outreach and Awareness**

Buckingham provided a verbal report out. Key Results #4 and #6 are completed. Key Result #5 is almost complete and Key Result #7 is currently in process. Information only – no action required.

IX. **AJCC OPERATOR UPDATE**

Galipo provided a verbal report; Information only – no action required.

AJCC's three-year certification is due in 2027. Board approval will be sought in March to meet the May 2027 certification deadline.

Upcoming Tours of Bosch and Marshall Hospital facilities.

** Manning departed @ 2:03pm*

X. **WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEMBER ROUNDTABLE**

Buckingham reported out as outlined in the agenda packet; Information only – no action required. Each board member shared experience in the workforce, identifying emerging issues, providing updates, and sharing upcoming events and opportunities in their represented industries.

- Buckingham shared GSJTA will be sponsoring 5 Virtual Outreach events targeting “Youth” over the next year, which will utilize a “VR” based experience in IT, Healthcare, and other CTE Pathways. Supporting TPM and working with the Placer Workforce Development Foundation).
- Henkel is monitoring evolving legislation related to surveillance programs, pricing practices, and AI, with a focus on workforce impact, employee protections, and safety concerns.
- Schulz shared that Sierra College’s Life Program is seeking employers to provide paid internships and hands-on training for graduates and is looking for help promoting these opportunities.
- Williams reported a slight increase in job openings in Placer and Sacramento Counties, though employers remain cautious but eager to hire.
- Chapnick shared that he is excited to join the WDB and enjoyed the AI topic of discussion. Agrees with Williams’ comment and noted The Raley’s Companies are moving cautiously.
- Snead shared information on ETP training funding and enjoyed the Sierra College facility tour.

- Aydelott expressed interest in supporting the Sierra College Life Program and requested additional information. Galipo (Golden Sierra) also expressed interest. Aydelott also promoted the Tri-County Job Fair on August 27 at the Roseville Galleria and encouraged employers to participate.
- Poff shared details of the upcoming Fork in the Road event on September 24, featuring 10 to 15 chefs competing. She also reported strong growth in the November cohort, with a waitlist forming and space capacity becoming a challenge.
- Alvord reported that businesses are frustrated by rising marketing costs and are working to understand the evolving impact of AI and how AI can help reduce costs such as marketing.
- Hernandez-Obaldia with EDD Department of Rehab, shared the Order Selection has been postponed; overall the state is slowing down on their hiring practices; the Department has been housed under Education, will now be Health and Human Services for better budget alignment
- Hernandez-Obaldia (EDD Department of Rehabilitation) shared that the Order of Selection has been postponed, noting that state hiring has slowed overall and that the Department is transitioning from the Education umbrella to Health and Human Services for better budget alignment.
- Larkey shared that Bosch will begin production at the Roseville chip fabrication facility, supported by \$225 million in CHIPS Act funding.

XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS

- FY 2026-2027 Agency Budget – Final
- Proof of Concept – AI Enabled Workforce Ecosystem Knowledge base
- WDB Recruitments for 1-Joint Labor and 1-Business
- Discussion/Update focusing on AI in the Workforce

XII. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, September 17, 2026 @ 1:00 pm

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn meeting at 2:23 pm, by Miller, second by Reed.

Motion approved unanimously

**GOLDEN SIERRA
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**“SPECIAL” MEETING
MINUTES**

Thursday, July 23, 2026 @ 10:00 am

**Golden Sierra Job Training Agency
Board Room
115 Ascot Drive Suite 100
Roseville, CA 95661**

**Teleconference Location:
Sacramento Central Labor Council
2617 K Street
Sacramento, CA 95816**

I. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Quorum was established and meeting called to order at 10:02 am by Chair Larkey

☒ Rick Larkey (Chair)	☒ Rana Ghadban (Vice-Chair)
☒ Daniela Devitt	☒ Steven Casperite
☒ Jennifer Poff	☒ Volma Volcy
☐ Jason Buckingham (Ex-Officio)	

GSJTA Staff:

☒ Melissa Keefe	☒ Lisa Nelson	☒ Darlene Galipo
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GUESTS: None

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve agenda as presented, by Devitt, second by Volcy

Motion approved unanimously

III. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be approved by one blanket motion.

- a. Approval of Minutes from May 21, 2026 EC Meeting
- b. Attendance Log

Motion to approve consent agenda items a-b, by Casperite, second by Poff

Motion approved unanimously

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT – FOR ITEMS ONLY ON THE AGENDA

NONE

V. APPROVE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Galipo and Keefe reported out as outlined in the agenda packet.

Motion to recommend approval of Thomas application as presented, by Casperite, second by Devitt

Motion approved unanimously

VI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS

- FY 2026-2027 Agency Budget – Final
- Standing item – Strategic Plan

VII. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, September 17, 2026 @ 12:00 pm

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn meeting at 10:10 pm by Devitt, second by Volcy

Motion approved unanimously

GOLDEN SIERRA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

ATTENDANCE LOG SEPTEMBER 17, 2026

Date:	9/18/25	10/7/25	11/20/25	1/15/26	3/19/26	5/21/26	7/16/26	
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD (WDB)	WB	WB	WB	WDB	WDB	WDB	WDB	
Meeting Type	Regular	Special	Regular	Regular	Regular	Regular	Regular	% RATE
Amy Schulz	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	86%
Daniel Chapnick							1	100%
Debbie Manning			1	1	1	1	1	100%
Eric Henkel	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	57%
Janis Aydelott	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	71%
Jason Buckingham	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%
Jeff Richard	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	86%
Jennifer Poff	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%
Jessica Rivera						1	0	50%
Michael Snead	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	86%
Rana Ghadban	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	57%
Rick Larkey	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	71%
Scott Alvord	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%
Steven Casperite	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	57%
Susan "Tink" Miller	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%
Tom Williams			1	1	1	0	1	80%
Vivian Hernandez-Obaldia	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	57%
Volma Volcy	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	57%
William Reed	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	71%
Total	14	13	16	16	14	14	14	

GOLDEN SIERRA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 17, 2026

TO: Workforce Development Board (WDB)

FROM: Jason Buckingham, GSJTA Executive Director

SUBJECT: Special Election for Workforce Development Board Chair

Background

Pursuant to Article IV of the [Golden Sierra Workforce Development Board \(WDB\) Bylaws](#), the election of the WDB Chair was held at the May 21, 2026, meeting. The term for the position began July 1, 2026, and is scheduled to end June 30, 2028 (Bylaws §4.1).

The position of WDB Chair has become vacant. Legal counsel has advised that the Board conduct a special election to fill the vacancy, ensuring the position is filled through an open, transparent, and equitable process consistent with the Board's governance responsibilities.

Discussion

The special election will be conducted in accordance with the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), the WDB Bylaws, applicable Brown Act requirements, and local policies governing Board officer elections.

The WDB Chair shall be elected by a majority vote of the board members present, as established by the Board's governing documents, and will assume office immediately upon completion of the election.

The following candidate has been nominated to serve as Chair of the Workforce Development Board:

- Jennifer Poff, Executive Director, Building Careers Foundation

GOLDEN SIERRA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 17, 2026
TO: Workforce Development Board (WDB)
FROM: Jason Buckingham, GSJTA Executive Director
SUBJECT: FY 2026-2027 Agency Budget - Final

Before the Board for review is the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-2027 Agency Budget - Final. The Final Budget has been developed based on allocated awards for the *Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act* (WIOA) FY 2026-2027 funding stream as well as related workforce development grants.

Several regional and local grants awarded during FY 2025-2026 and prior years will carry forward into FY 2026-2027.

- *Regional Equity and Recovery Partnership (RERP)*: Awarded by the California Workforce Development Board
- The Industry Driven Regional Collaborative (IDRC) funding from Sierra College
- *Regional Collaboration Project (RCP)*: Awarded by the Employment Development Department (EDD)
- *Student Training and Employment Program (STEP)*
- Department of Rehabilitation *America's Job Center of California* (DOR-AJCC) Collaboration Project

The budget utilizes a priority-based model, approved by the Governing Body, intended to meet the requirements of the awarded grants while funding Agency debt obligations.

The FY 2026-2027 Budget - Final is scheduled for review by the Executive Committee on September 17, 2026, and the Governing Body on July 30, 2026.

Budget Introduction and Overview

Golden Sierra Job Training Agency is a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) organized between the counties of Placer, El Dorado and Alpine. The Agency's annual source of funds is allocated by Title I of the *Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)*. Additionally, the Agency administers miscellaneous grants and awards that complement the WIOA Title I objectives and the stated purpose of the JPA.

Approach in Developing the Final Budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026/2027

The model used to develop the Consortium's annual budget is the Priority Based Budget model. The goal is to develop a budget based on the relationship between program funding levels and expected results from that program. The objectives are to retain cost-efficient and effective ways to meet the requirements of WIOA while providing quality services to participants and meeting the debt obligations of the Agency.

The FY 2025/2026 Final Budget:

The Final Budget presentation is based on actual carry-over funding, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Title I formula allocations, and funding from competitive grant awards administered by the Agency. Programs funded through competitive awards are categorized as Non-Allocation Grants.

Several regional and local grants awarded during FY 2025/2026 and prior years will carry forward into FY 2026/2027. Regional funding includes the Regional Equity and Recovery Partnership (RERP) Grant awarded by the California Workforce Development Board, and the Regional Collaboration Project (RCP) awarded by the Employment Development Department (EDD). These grants are administered by Golden Sierra on behalf of the Capital Region Workforce Boards, including the Sacramento Employment and Training Agency (SETA), the North Central Counties Consortium (NCCC), and Yolo County.

Local funding sources include the Student Transition Employment Program (STEP) and the Department of Rehabilitation America's Job Center of California Partnership Grant (DOR-AJCC). The Agency was recently notified that the DOR-AJCC grant funding would be rescinded, resulting in the grant ending on September 30, 2026, approximately seven months earlier than anticipated.

The Agency was also selected to be part of the California AI Blueprint design team and will receive \$50,000 for its participation in the effort.

The budget meets mandated funding requirements as follows:

- 20% of the Adult and Dislocated Worker funding will support *Direct Training* with a planned assumption of 10% leverage to meet the full requirement of 30% with a 20/10 ratio of WIOA cash/leverage as allowable.
- 20% of the Youth funding is earmarked to meet the *Youth Work Based Learning* (WBL) requirement as outlined in the WIOA Title I award. To clarify, *Work Based Learning* only includes a participant's enrollment in employment-related training such as an On-The-Job Training (OJT) or Work Experience (WEX). It does not include classroom training.
- The remaining cost objectives required of the Title I funding are to maintain a minimum of one *Comprehensive - America's Job Center (AJCC)* in the *Local Area*, strategically utilize financial resources to meet the debt service required payments for the liabilities of the JPA, and participate in the continued development of both local and regional workforce systems.

Notes – Final Budget FY 2026/2027

Note:

- There is a planned transfer of 75% of the awarded Dislocated Worker funding to the Adult funding category. Up to 100% is allowable by law.
- The Total Funding Sources for Final Budget FY 2026/2027 reflect a 4.29% increase from the Draft Budget for FY 2026/2027. These increases are the result of greater than anticipated allocation, new non-allocation grants, and disbursement from the Agency's California Employers' Pension Pre-funding Trust (CEPPT) which will help offset the required pension payments for the year. The total funding difference between Draft Budget for FY 2026/2027 and Final Budget for FY 2026/2027 is an increase of \$318,832.
- Operational expenditures in the Final Budget have increased over the Draft Budget by 13.69%. This includes an increase in Retiree Benefits of 30.5%; this increase is due to two factors. First, the CEPPT disbursement was calculated as an offset in the Draft Budget without accounting for the revenue. This strategy reduced the retiree benefits line item in the draft budget presentation. For final budget we are accounting for both the revenue and the expense. Second, there is the addition of a \$150,000 payment to the Agency's California Employer's Retirement Benefit Trust (CERBT). This payment reduces the Agency's Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) liability. There is an increase in Professional Services primarily due to internal changes in the coding structure used to account for Service & Supplies and Professional Services; the real change is a combined increase of 25.43%. The increased expenses will assist with updating the technology infrastructure, promote collaborative AJCC staff/partner development activities and support workforce development events in the Golden Sierra region.
- The final Budget reflects an increase in Career & Training Services of 19.98%. This is due to an increase in the training line item to align with additional funding, as well as Comprehensive Career Services to provide workshops for businesses and job seekers.
- Board Initiatives have increased by 66.67%, bringing that line item to \$50,000 for Board discretionary items.

Description of Schedules		
<u>Schedule 1</u>	<u>Consortium Draft Budget 2026/2027 to Final Budget 2026/2027</u>	Schedule is based on rollover funding, non-allocation carry over, and new awards. Expenditures have been adjusted based on anticipated costs, WIOA spending requirements, and pension debt service requirements and shows a comparison of Draft Budget for FY26/27 to Final Budget FY26/27
<u>Schedule 2</u>	<u>Consortium Cost Center Detail</u>	
	Consortium Administration:	Includes fiscal management, procurement, and human resource functions.
	Consortium Program Operations:	Includes program oversight and technical assistance to member counties. Staff and consultants have expertise in ADA/EO compliance, program monitoring, WIOA continual refinement, and database management.
	Consortium Rapid Response and Layoff Aversion:	Includes activities related to business outreach, workshop facilitation, and labor exchange. Staff have expertise in helping affected employees return to work as quickly as possible following a layoff and developing early-warning systems to prevent layoffs altogether.
	Consortium Comprehensive One-Stop:	Includes the physical location and related operating expenses of the required job center that offers universal access and comprehensive employment-related programs and services.
	El Dorado County Career and Training Services:	Includes PY25/26 carry-in funds and PY26/27 WIOA funding to be administered by the Agency.
	Placer County Career and Training Services:	Includes PY25/26 carry-in funds and PY25/26 WIOA funding to be administered by the Agency.
	South Lake Tahoe / Alpine County Career and Training Services:	Services awarded to <u>Advance</u> . Includes balance of contract for PY25/26 and planned PY26/27 WIOA funding awarded to Advance
	Non-Allocation:	<u>Cost Centers listed here are non-routine in nature managed by the Agency:</u> <u>Ticket to Work</u> – Funds received through the Ticket to Work program for successfully assisting Persons with Disabilities (PWD) find gainful, and long-term employment. <u>STEP</u> – DOR Student Transitional Employment Program. W2 work experience for students with disabilities (SWD) <u>DOR</u> – Department of Rehab America’s Job Center of California partnership Grant (DOR-AJCC). A collaborative project to serve people with disabilities in the AJCCs. Projects will work towards lasting systems change that results in increased collaboration between WIOA Title I and IV programs and increased employment and career advancement for individuals with disabilities across California <u>IDRC</u> – Industry Driven Regional Collaborative Grant (Sierra College) - Empowers colleges to collaboratively address critical workforce skills gaps by building sustainable partnerships with industry. Golden Sierra will provide full-service employer engagement, job readiness, job development, job placement, and work-based learning (where appropriate) for students in applied technology fields. <u>California AI Workforce Blueprint</u> – Partnership with the Employment Development Department (EDD) and the California Workforce Association (CWA) to lead the state's response in developing a statewide AI workforce strategy.
	Regional Grants	<u>RERP</u> – Regional Equity and Recovery Partnership Grant <u>RCP</u> – Regional Coordination Project
	Board Initiatives	Workforce Board Discretionary Funding
	Surplus Funds	<u>Surplus funds, if available, represent discretionary funding for allocation by the Governing Body and are generally used to reduce pension liabilities.</u>

Approved By:
Executive Committee:
Workforce Board:
Governing Body

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		Consortium Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Draft Budget	% of Total Funding	Consortium Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Final Budget	% of Total Funding	Column A less Column B Change Between 2026/2027 Draft Budget to Final Budget	Percent Change from 2026/2027 Draft Budget to Final Budget	
Funding Sources:								
1	Carry-In WIOA Allocation	\$ 1,342,870	18.07%	\$ 1,370,100	17.68%	\$ 27,230	2.03%	SOURCES
2	Awarded WIOA Allocations	\$ 3,568,597	48.01%	\$ 4,006,465	51.69%	\$ 437,868	12.27%	
3	Carry-In RR	\$ 75,888	1.02%	\$ 83,885	1.08%	\$ 7,997	10.54%	
4	Awarded Rapid Response Funds	\$ 379,439	5.11%	\$ 352,338	4.55%	\$ (27,101)	-7.14%	
5	Carry-In Layoff Aversion Funds	\$ 28,685	0.39%	\$ 34,837	0.45%	\$ 6,152	21.45%	
6	Awarded Layoff Aversion Funds	\$ 143,423	1.93%	\$ 116,633	1.50%	\$ (26,790)	-18.68%	
7	Non Allocation Awards Carried In	\$ 1,893,442	25.48%	\$ 1,736,917	22.41%	\$ (156,525)	-8.27%	
8	Non-Allocation Awards (New)	\$ -	0.00%	\$ 50,000	0.65%	\$ 50,000		
9	Total Funding Sources PY 27	\$ 7,432,343		\$ 7,751,175		\$ 318,832	4.29%	
Expenditures:								
10	Retiree Benefits	\$ 804,693	10.83%	\$ 1,050,087	13.55%	\$ 245,394	30.50%	EXPENDITURES
11	Salaries and Benefits	\$ 1,958,532	26.35%	\$ 2,030,012	26.19%	\$ 71,480	3.65%	
12	Services and Supplies	\$ 436,239	5.87%	\$ 471,839	6.09%	\$ 35,600	8.16%	
13	Professional Services	\$ 86,570	1.16%	\$ 183,942	2.37%	\$ 97,372	112.48%	
14	Salaries, Services, and Supplies Total	\$ 3,286,034	44.21%	\$ 3,735,881	48.20%	\$ 449,847	13.69%	
Career & Training Services								
15	Comprehensive Career Services	\$ 35,989		\$ 98,939	1.28%	\$ 62,950	174.91%	DIRECT CLIENT EXPENDITURES
16	Placer County	\$ 453,172	6.10%	\$ 611,383	5.01%	\$ 158,211	34.91%	
17	EI Dorado County	\$ 278,741	3.75%	\$ 388,591	2.71%	\$ 109,850	39.41%	
18	SLT & Alpine County	\$ 200,000	2.69%	\$ 210,000	2.71%	\$ 10,000	5.00%	
19	Non Allocation	\$ 228,084	3.07%	\$ 266,678	3.44%	\$ 38,594	16.92%	
20	Regional Contracts	\$ 853,174	11.48%	\$ 882,911	11.39%	\$ 29,737	3.49%	
21	Career & Training Services Total	\$ 2,049,160	27.57%	\$ 2,458,501	31.72%	\$ 409,341	19.98%	
22	Board Initiatives	\$ 30,000	0.40%	\$ 50,000	0.65%	\$ 20,000	66.67%	WORKFORCE BOARD EXPENDITURES
23	Non allocation Carry-out to New FY	374,793	5.04%	321,109	4.14%	\$ (53,684)	-14.32%	CARRYOUT
24	Allocation carry-out to New FY	\$ 1,692,360	22.77%	\$ 1,185,685	15.30%	\$ (506,675)	-29.94%	
25	Carry-out to PY 28 Total	\$ 2,067,153	27.81%	\$ 1,506,794	19.44%	\$ (560,359)	-27.11%	
26	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 7,432,343		\$ 7,751,175		\$ 318,832	4.29%	

Approved by:
Executive Committee:
Workforce Board:
Governing Body:

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	Consortium Admin (WIOA)	Consortium Program Operations (WIOA)	Consortium Rapid Response and Layoff Aversion	Local Area One-Stop Delivery System	El Dorado County Career and Training Services	Placer County Career and Training Services	Alpine County & South Lake Tahoe Career and Training Services	RERP	STEP	DOR	IDRC	RCP	AI	Ticket to Work	Total of all Funding Sources and Expenditures
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1	Funding Sources:														
2	Carry-In Allocation Funds from PY 26	\$ 356,858	\$ 372,127		\$ 122,082	\$ 164,296	\$ 254,738	\$ 100,000							\$ 1,370,100
3	Allocation Awards PY 27	\$ 390,747	\$ 1,583,837	\$ -	\$ 468,896	\$ 542,916	\$ 910,069	\$ 110,000							\$ 4,006,465
4	Carry-In Rapid Response Funds PY 26		\$ 83,885												\$ 83,885
5	Awarded Rapid Response Funds PY 27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 352,338	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -							\$ 352,338
6	Carry-In Layoff Aversion Funds PY 26	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 34,837	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -							\$ 34,837
7	Awarded Layoff Aversion Funds PY 27		\$ 116,633	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -							\$ 116,633
8	Carry-In Non-Allocation from PY 26				\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 87,911	\$ 285,922	\$ 79,563	\$ 99,866	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 183,655	\$ 1,736,917
9	Actual Non-Allocation Awards PY 27				\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -					\$ 50,000		\$ 50,000
9	Total Funding Sources	\$ 747,605	\$ 1,955,964	\$ 587,693	\$ 590,978	\$ 707,211	\$ 1,164,807	\$ 210,000	\$ 87,911	\$ 285,922	\$ 79,563	\$ 99,866	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 7,751,175
10	Expenditures:														
10	Consortium Operations:														
11	Retiree Benefits	\$ -	\$ 675,078	\$ 75,009	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -								\$ 750,087
12	Salaries and Benefits	\$ 287,455	\$ 374,108	\$ 354,577	\$ 176,278	\$ 200,320	\$ 338,482		\$ 51,894	\$ 68,415	\$ 63,983	\$ 64,500	\$ 50,000		\$ 2,030,012
13	Services and Supplies	\$ 13,883	\$ 257,237	\$ 29,977	\$ 135,069	\$ 1,468	\$ 19,179	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,098	\$ 930	\$ 6,000	\$ -		\$ 471,839
14	Professional Services	\$ 55,520	\$ 82,573	\$ 6,536	\$ 36,913	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,400	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 183,942
14	Consortium Operations Total	\$ 356,858	\$ 1,388,996	\$ 466,099	\$ 348,260	\$ 201,788	\$ 357,661	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 51,894	\$ 78,913	\$ 64,913	\$ 70,500	\$ 50,000	\$ 3,435,881
15	Career & Training Services														
15	Program Year 2025/2026 WIOA/Other														
16	Non-Allocation Awards	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 234,028	\$ 650		\$ 32,000			\$ 266,678
17	Placer County	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 73,075	\$ -							\$ 73,075
18	El Dorado County	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 62,274									\$ 62,274
18	SLT and Alpine County	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 100,000								\$ 100,000
19	Program Year 2026/2027 WIOA/Other														
20	Comprehensive Career Services			\$ 98,939			\$ -								\$ 98,939
21	Non-Allocation Awards	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -								\$ -
22	Placer County	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 538,308									\$ 538,308
23	El Dorado County	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 326,317	\$ -	\$ -								\$ 326,317
24	SLT and Alpine County	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 110,000								\$ 110,000
24	Regional Contracts						\$ 87,911					\$ 795,000			\$ 882,911
25	Career & Training Services Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 98,939	\$ 388,591	\$ 611,383	\$ 210,000	\$ 87,911	\$ 234,028	\$ 650	\$ -	\$ 827,000	\$ -	\$ 2,458,501
26	Board Initiatives														
26		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000
27	PY 28 Award Expend in Second Year	\$ 390,747	\$ 296,967	\$ 91,594	\$ 93,779	\$ 116,833	\$ 195,764	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,185,685
28	Future Year Expend Non-Allocation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 34,953	\$ 102,500		\$ 183,655	\$ 321,109
29	PY 27 WIOA Additional Pension Support (ADP)	\$ -	\$ 135,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -					\$ -	\$ 150,000
30	PY 27 OPEB (CERBT) payment	\$ -	\$ 135,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -					\$ -	\$ 150,000
31	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 747,605	\$ 1,955,963	\$ 587,693	\$ 590,978	\$ 707,211	\$ 1,164,807	\$ 210,000	\$ 87,911	\$ 285,922	\$ 79,563	\$ 99,866	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 7,751,175
32	Net Income/(Loss)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ (0)	\$ (0)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (0)	\$ (0)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0

GOLDEN SIERRA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 17, 2026

TO: Workforce Development Board (WDB)

FROM: Jason Buckingham, GSJTA Executive Director

SUBJECT: Sketch Development Services (Sketchdev.io) - Proof of Concept for AI-Enabled Workforce Ecosystem Knowledge Base

Background

As part of its strategic plan goal related to system coordination and accessibility, the Workforce Development Board (WDB) approved an agreement between Golden Sierra and Sketch Development Services to design a proof-of-concept (POC) AI-enabled Workforce Ecosystem Knowledge Base (Previously “Asset Map”).

The POC is intended to demonstrate how artificial intelligence (AI) can improve access to information, knowledge management, and service accessibility for job seekers and workforce partners in Placer County. It also provides the WDB with an opportunity to assess the system’s technical feasibility, user experience, and overall value before considering a larger investment in a production-level system.

Next steps for consideration:

Following its review of the POC, the WDB may consider future actions related to the continued development of an AI-enabled Workforce Ecosystem Knowledge Base.

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommend authorizing the development and issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) to further evaluate the feasibility of a production-level AI-enabled Workforce Ecosystem Knowledge Base.

While the POC demonstrates the potential value of using AI to improve access to information and services, additional information is needed regarding implementation requirements, available technical approaches, ongoing maintenance, security considerations, governance, and total project costs. Issuing an RFP will allow Golden Sierra to assess potential vendors and solutions and provide the Workforce Development Board with the information necessary to make an informed decision regarding future investment.

Any recommended contract award, project funding, or implementation plan resulting from the RFP process would be brought back to the WDB for separate review and approval prior to proceeding.