



**MEETING OF THE  
TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION**

**DATE**

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1 Tuesday, January 9, 2024

2 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Good afternoon, all. This  
3 meeting is called to order, and happy new year. Mr. Trobman, has  
4 anyone signed up for public comment?

5 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Thank you much. Good  
6 afternoon, Ms. Miller. A rare afternoon meeting, how about that?

7 MS. MILLER: Yes, sir. Good afternoon.

8 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Thank you very much. This  
9 brings us to the end of Agenda Items 1 through 8. We'll take a  
10 short recess.

11 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: All right, we're back with  
12 Agenda Item 9, statewide agencies new hire report.

13 BRYAN SNODDY: Good afternoon, Chair Daniel,  
14 commissioners, Mr. Serna. Thank you for your time today for  
15 taking under consideration, discussion, consideration, and  
16 possible action, the submission of the fiscal year 2023 Texas  
17 Workforce Commission new hire summary report to the governor and  
18 the Legislative Budget Board pursuant to Texas Labor Code,  
19 Section 21.504. Pursuant to the statute we have compiled a  
20 report of the total number of African Americans, Hispanics,  
21 females, and other persons hired for each job category by all  
22 state agencies during the preceding state fiscal year. We note  
23 that this is a new procedure and bringing this report separate  
24 from the annual TWC report where it's historically been  
25 combined. This disaggregation should unburden the agency annual

1 report from all future [inaudible] 21 statutory deadlines. Staff  
2 has compiled information in a compressed format that aid  
3 comprehension and utility and in general this report  
4 demonstrates the good work the state agencies are doing to hire  
5 in each job category and maintain an engaged workforce for the  
6 state of Texas. Today staff makes recommendation to adopt this  
7 report for submission to the governor and Legislative Budget  
8 Board in satisfaction of Section 21.504 of the Texas Labor Code.  
9 This concludes my remarks. I'm happy to answer any questions.

10 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: We're going to have time  
11 for questions. The staff person who I think was probably  
12 supposed to give this report has now arrived so if you want them  
13 to answer the questions, you can swap out or we'll let you do  
14 it. I don't actually have any questions.

15 BRYAN SNODDY: I thought you'd have a  
16 question about the bolo tie or something.

17 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: I'm just—that's probably  
18 coming up but just judging by all the reactions, this was a  
19 quality of a Hollywood movie here today. Your disbelief, that  
20 person's surprise, it's quite a lot of drama playing out.

21 BRYAN SNODDY: [Inaudible] I think so it's,  
22 you know.

23 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Yeah, any comments or  
24 questions?

25 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: None here.

1 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: No questions.

2 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: All right. Is there a  
3 motion?

4 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Chairman, I move we  
5 approve fiscal year 2023 Texas Workforce Commission new hire  
6 summary report for submission to the governor and the  
7 Legislative Budget Board as recommended today by staff.

8 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: I second.

9 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: It's been moved and  
10 seconded and the vote is unanimous. Thank you.

11 BRYAN SNODDY: Thank you, sir.

12 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: This is Agenda Item 10,  
13 board nominees.

14 SHUNTA WILLIAMS: [Inaudible] For the  
15 record, Shunta Williams [inaudible]. Can you hear me? OK. Do I  
16 need to start over, Les? OK. Today for your consideration we  
17 have Workforce Board nominations for Workforce Solutions Alamo,  
18 Capital Area, East Texas, Tarrant County, Golden Crescent, and  
19 Northeast Texas. Staff recommends approval on the presented  
20 nominees and I'm here to answer any questions you have.

21 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Any comments or questions?

22 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: None here.

23 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: No questions.

24 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Is there a motion?

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1 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Chairman, I move we  
2 approve the local Workforce Development Board member nominees  
3 presented today for the following: Workforce Solutions Alamo,  
4 Capital Area, East Texas, Tarrant County, Golden Crescent, and  
5 Northeast Texas.

6 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: I second.

7 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: It's been moved and  
8 seconded and the vote is unanimous and the motion carries. This  
9 is Agenda Item 11, child care match.

10 SANDRA WILLIAMS: Good afternoon,  
11 commissioners, Mr. Serna. For the record, Sandra Williams,  
12 Workforce Development Division. In accordance with federal  
13 regulations and TWC Chapter 809, Child Care Services rules, TWC  
14 does require boards to secure and submit local matching funds to  
15 TWC in order to receive a portion of the CCDF funding.  
16 Supporting documentation includes 45 BCY24 match agreements from  
17 13 boards. Those boards are Borderplex, Cameron County, Concho  
18 Valley, East Texas, Gulf Coast, Lower Rio, North Central Texas,  
19 Northeast Texas, Panhandle, Permian Basin, South Plains, Tarrant  
20 County, and West Central Texas totaling \$14,014,217. Boards have  
21 secured 66.28 percent of the statewide child care local match  
22 target for BCY24 with six of those 13 boards securing at least  
23 100 percent of their target. Staff is recommending that TWC  
24 accept child care pledges for donations, transfers, and  
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1 certifications for expenses for BCY24 in the amount of  
2 \$14,014,217. I'm happy to answer any questions.

3 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Any questions or comments?

4 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: None here.

5 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: No questions.

6 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Is there a motion?

7 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Chairman, I move we  
8 approve the acceptance of the child care pledges for donations,  
9 transfers, and certifications of expense for board contract year  
10 2024 in the amount of \$14,014,217 as recommended today by staff.

11 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: I second.

12 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: It's been moved and  
13 seconded, the vote is unanimous and the motion carries.

14 SANDRA WILLIAMS: Thank you.

15 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Thank you. Mr. Serna, an  
16 executive director's report.

17 MR. SERNA: A very brief report and it's  
18 simply a congratulations to Commissioner Treviño on completing  
19 his first year with the agency from appointment. We want to—  
20 staff wants to go ahead and congratulate him on joining the TWC  
21 team and wishing him many more years. So with that—

22 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: He made his first year  
23 with a lot less gray hair than I did. He's still [inaudible].

24 MR. SERNA: Well, you and I both started  
25 shortly after COVID. Anyway, that was—

1 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: I appreciate it.

2 MR. SERNA: I think staff put something  
3 together for him.

4 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Wow. Thank you.

5 MR. SERNA: We do recycle. When you look at  
6 the back of that you'll see that it's been recycled so-

7 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: Right, right.

8 MR. SERNA: No waste. Mr. Chairman, that is  
9 all I have in 58 seconds.

10 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Thank you very much. Is  
11 there any other order of business to come before the commission.

12 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: None here.

13 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: No, sir.

14 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: Is there a motion to  
15 adjourn?

16 COMMISSIONER TREVIÑO: I move to adjourn.

17 COMMISSIONER ESPARZA: Happy one year. I  
18 second.

19 CHAIRMAN DANIEL: It has been moved and  
20 seconded to adjourn and we're adjourned.

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