

DRAFT MINUTES
WASATCH FRONT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
December 13, 2023

A meeting of the Wasatch Front Economic Development District was held on
Wednesday, December 13, 2023, at 2:00 PM, via Zoom.

PRESENT	GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES	PRESENT	MEMBERS (Cont.)
No	Brett Anderson, Member Mayor, Farmington	No	Brandon Wood, Northwood Group
Yes	Randy Elliott, Alternate Commissioner, Davis County	Yes	Chris Sloan, Group 1 Real Estate
Yes	Blaine Fackrell, Member Commissioner, Morgan County	No	Nicholas Fritz, Intermountain Healthcare
No	Robert McConnell, Alternate Commissioner, Morgan County	Yes	Christina Oliver, DWS
No	Karen Lang, Member Mayor, West Valley City	No	Ty Bailey, Morgan City Manager
No	Paulina Flint, Alternate Mayor, Metro Council	Yes	Chris Roybal, NUEC
No	Debbie Winn, Member, Vice Chair Mayor, Tooele City	No	Shannon Ellsworth, Rio Tinto
No	Tye Hoffman, Alternate Councilmember, Tooele County	No	Anthon Stauffer, Romney Group
No	Gage Froerer, Member, Chair Commissioner, Weber County	No	Rick Bouillon, SLCC
No	S. Neal Berube, Alternate Mayor, North Ogden	Yes	Ginger Chinn, Director, SLC Chamber
No	Ben Hart, Member Inland Port	No	Scott Parson, Staker Parsons
Yes	Daniel Royal, Alternate Go Utah (GOEO)	No	Edward Bennet, Suazo Business Center
No	Mark Knold, Member DWS	Yes	Alan Matheson, Executive Dir., The Point
No	Paul Drake, Member UTA, TOD	No	Paul Hacking, President, Tooele Technical College
No	Ryan Starks, Member Go Utah (GOEO)	No	Mauricio Melendez, Traverse Tours
PRESENT	MEMBERS	No	Guy Letendre, UAMMI
No	Cari Fullerton, Bank of Utah	Yes	Sara Toliver, Visit Ogden
No	Holin Wilbanks, Big D Corp.	No	Brad Mortensen, Weber State
No	Elvon Farrell, EDCUtah	Yes	Muriel Xochimiltl, XFactor Strategic Communications
No	Katelin Roberts, Induction Bio	No	Shaleane Gee, Zions Bank
No	Darin Brush, Alternate President, Davis Technical College	No	Susie Becker, Zions Financial
No	Michael Parker, Ivory Homes	No	Alan, Packard, JVWCD
Yes	Scott Cuthbertson, EDCUtah	No	Shawn Milne, Bear River Association of Govt.
No	Stephanie McCarthy, EDA Architects	No	Kyle Palmer, GOEO
No	Aniza Brown, Catalyst Campus	Yes	Sherry Stevens, GOEO
No	Aabir Malik, Colmena Group	No	Terrah Anderson, GOPB
WFRC STAFF		OTHERS PRESENT	
Andrew Gruber Chay Mosqueda Jordon Chandler Marcia White Megan Townsend		Michelle Halacy Greg Bisping Ryan Smith Kimberly Rivers Amanda Tullis Wendy Thomas	

1. Welcome and Introductions [00:00:01]

Commissioner Gage Froerer, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:18 pm and welcomed the committee. Introductions were made, and Rosie Hernandez, WFRC, read the names of those in attendance.

a. ACTION: Approval of the October 23, 2023, Meeting Minutes [00:02:04]

Commissioner Froerer entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the WFEDD meeting held on October 23, 2023. A motion was made by Chris Roybal, NUEC and seconded by Commissioner Blaine Fackrell, Morgan County. The motion carried unanimously, the minutes of the October 23, 2023, meeting were approved without changes.

2. Chairs Report [00:03:04]

- a. Next Steps:** Commissioner Froerer announced that the 2023-2028 Regional CEDS plan, which was sent to the Economic Development Administration (EDA) for review, has been approved. Commissioner Froerer reviewed some of the comments that the EDA left on the plan, and expressed gratitude to all those that helped develop it.

3. Public Comment [00:06:02]

Commissioner Froerer opened the meeting to public comments. There were no public comments made.

4. Informational Presentations [00:06:34] Commissioner Froerer turned the time over to Scott Cuthbertson, President & CEO of EDCUtah, and Amanda Tullis, the Associate Vice President of Business & Economic Development at Davis Tech, who presented on two of the strategies and implementation ideas in the 2023-2028 Regional CEDS plan: Refining objectives for business recruitment, and increase the labor force participation rate by supporting businesses in strengthening the overall capacity & creating good paying jobs.

- a. EDCUtah Overview and Strategic Planning [00:08:20],** Scott Cuthbertson, President & CEO of EDCUtah, shared their vision and mission, and explained EDCUtah's strategic plan to help businesses recruit, expand, and succeed in Utah. Mr. Cuthbertson touched on some of the challenges and priorities over the next 5 years.

- b. Davis Tech Business & Economic Development Overview & Custom Fit [00:48:38],** Amanda Tullis, the Associate Vice President of Business & Economic Development at Davis Tech, provided an overview of the Davis Technical College. Ms. Tullis explained some of the ways that Davis Tech partners with local business owners to create good paying jobs, and some of the barriers they face. Ms. Tullis described the Custom Fit program that is available to For-Profit companies across the region.

5. Other Business & Adjournment [01:17:38]

Commissioner Froerer explained that the 2024 meetings will be moved to Tuesdays. WFRC will hold a new member orientation on February 22nd, 2024, and the next WFEDD meeting will be March 12th, 2023.

Ginger Chinn, SLC Chamber, made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Christina Oliver, DWS. The affirmative vote was unanimous, and the meeting adjourned at 2:37 pm.

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

- *Regional Growth Committee, January 18, 2024*
- *WFRC Council Meeting, January 25, 2024*
- *Active Transportation Committee, February 13, 2024*
- *Trans Com, February 15, 2024*