

CareerSource Okaloosa Walton EDUCATION AND INDUSTRY CONSORTIUM QUARTERLY REPORT

A. GENERAL INFORMATION

Report quarter: January 1, 2024 – March 31, 2024

Date of meeting: 3/28/2024

Report prepared by: Kelly Jordan

Local workforce development board contact: Kelly Jordan **Date:** 3/29/24

B. ATTENDANCE

Name	Organization	Industry or Education Organization	Contact Information
Donna Daniels	Embry-Riddle	Education	Danied15@erau.edu
Nicole McDonald (TEAMS)	University of West Florida	Education	nmcdonald@uwf.edu
Dee Setzer	Fort Walton Machining	Industry	dsetzer@fwmachining.com
Jesse Spaid	Emerald Coast Technical College	Education	Jesse.spaid@walton.k12.fl.us
Al Smith	Consultant	Industry	Alonzos3206@gmail.com
Glenn Boschen	Micro Systems, Inc	Industry	Glenn.Boschen@kratosdefense.com
Tarey Franxman	City of Fort Walton Beach	Industry	tfranxman@fwb.org

Name	Organization	Industry or Education	Contact Information
Caralee Gibson	GSC Systems	Industry	c.gibson-15@gscsystems.net
Cathy Starkey (Guest)	GSC Systems	Industry	cathy.starkey@gscsystems.net
Chasity Fry (TEAMS)	Live Oak	Technology	Chasity.fry@liveoakfiber.com
Dave Underwood (TEAMS)	Walton County Economic Development Alliance	Economic Development	underwoodcol@outlook.com
Cole Randall	One Okaloosa	Economic Development	cole@oneokaloosa.org
Staff Present			
Kelly Jordan	CareerSource Okaloosa Walton	Workforce	kjordan@careersourceow.com
Michele Burns	CareerSource Okaloosa Walton	Workforce	mburns@careersourceow.com
Brad Balfanz	CareerSource Okaloosa Walton	Workforce	bbalfanz@careersourceow.com
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B. SUMMARY REPORT

1. Summary analysis of the local labor market based on the industry representative needs and education offerings. (Provide summary)
2. Information on priority industry sectors and occupations for the local area. (Provide summary)
3. Information on the status of existing talent pipelines for in-demand occupations. (Provide summary)



CareerSource Okaloosa Walton
Education and Industry Consortium
March 28, 2024 * 9:00 a.m.
409 Racetrack Rd NE, Fort Walton Beach

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- I. Call to Order.....Dee Setzer
Dee Setzer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
 - II. Welcome and Introductions.....All
Each member of the Consortium introduced themselves and the organization that they represent.
 - III. Purpose of the Business and Education ConsortiumKelly Jordan
Kelly Jordan presented a power point (attached) to explain the purpose of the Consortium and Labor Market Information.
 - IV. Labor Market InformationKelly Jordan
Covered in the presentation.
 - V. Talent Needs..... Industry Representatives
Glenn Boschen reported that Micro Systems is in need of CDL drivers and that he has met with the Business Services team at CSOW to see how they can help with this need. Tarey Franxman from the City of FWB stated that he is in need of Engineers and would like to do some internships.
 - VI. Educational Programs to Meet Business Needs..... Educational Representatives
Donna Daniels has some students that would be interested in Internships. UWF is adding Civil Engineering class in the Fall. They also have rooms available for training if anyone is interested.
 - VII. Round Table UpdatesAll
Lots of conversation around the meeting and how great it is to have Education and Industry around the table and how many were there for the first meeting. All wanted their information shared with each other. There was also some suggestions on who should be added to this group.
 - VIII. Adjourn
The meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Next Meeting Date – To Be Determined