MINUTES

The Chair Carol Siegel called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

Committee Members in Attendance:
Katie Herlihy – City of Capitola (replaced Jamie Goldstein)
Barbara Mason – Santa Cruz County Economic Development Dept. (Alt.)
Carol Siegel – Santa Cruz Seaside Co. (Chair)
Rob Morse – Pacific Gas and Electric (Vice Chair)
Casey Beyer – Santa Cruz Chamber of Commerce
Peter Detlefs – County of Santa Cruz Economic Development Dept. (Alt.)

Committee Members Absent:
Andy Constable – Santa Cruz County Economic Development Dept.
Bonnie Lipscomb – City of Santa Cruz
Jo Anne Dlott – Sure Harvest
Matt Huffaker – City of Watsonville

Staff in Attendance:
Andy Stone – Director, Workforce Development Board – Santa Cruz County
Laurel Gazza – Senior Board Clerk – Clerk of the Board, Santa Cruz County

Guests
Sharolynn Ullestad

I.  Subject: Welcome/Introductions

Discussion: Chair Carol Siegel welcomed everyone, and members introduced themselves

II. Subject: Public Comment

There was no public comment.
III. Subject: Chair/WDB Director Comments

WDB Director Andy Stone announced that the WDB’s Business Services Manager posted position would be closing on May 18th. The position would be a liaison between the WDB and local businesses. He also mentioned the State of the Workforce Report was due at the end of June.

IV. Subject: Approval of January 18, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Discussion: None

Action: Approved the January 18, 2017 meeting minutes

Motion: Rob Morse
Second: Barbara Mason
Vote: Rob Morse, Barbara Mason, Carol Siegel and Katie Herlihy all in favor
Abstentions: Casey Beyer

V. Discussion and Action Items:

Subject: D.1 – Review of CEDS Goals:

Discussion: WDB Director Andy Stone directed the committee to think about what goals they would like CEDS to prioritize in the future, and would set the next meeting agenda with those in mind. Members suggested building collaboration between government and other sectors, focusing on infrastructure, living wages, housing, employee retention.

Action: None, discussion item.

Discussion and Action Items:

Subject: D.2 – Potential CEDS expansion

Discussion: Director Andy Stone discussed the possibility of merging the CEDS Committee with the Business Services Committee and provided pros and cons to the committee, and allocation of resources. Members indicated they would be willing to try the merger of the two committees on an initial basis.

Action: None, discussion only item.
Discussion and Action Items:

Subject: D.3 – Future CEDS Meeting Schedule and Location

Discussion: The committee discussed potential new CEDS committee meeting dates for the FY 2018-19, as though it would be merged with the Business Services Committee. Dates accepted were: August 8, 2018; October 10, 2018; February 13, 2019; and April 10, 2019. These dates were thought to be more accommodating to committee members who previously had not been able to attend. Possible locations were briefly discussed, and meeting times were kept at 3:00 pm.

Action: Accepted proposed meeting dates for FY 2018-19 CEDS Committee meetings: August 8, 2018; October 10, 2018; February 13, 2019, and April 10, 2019.

Motion: Rob Morse
Second: Katie Herlihy
Vote: Unanimous

Discussion Item:

Subject: D.4 – Labor Market Information

Action: N/A – Discussion only of the current labor market report, through March 2018.

Discussion Item:

Subject: A.1 – Labor Market Information

Action: N/A – Committee discussed trends of the current labor market report.

Chair Carol Siegel adjourned the meeting at 4:20 pm.

Next Meeting: August 8, 2018 at 3:00 pm
Location: TBD