

OOAHU WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
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**SPECIAL PROJECTS
COMMITTEE MEETING**
Tuesday, September 15, 2026
10:00 am to 11:00 am

Remote Meeting:

This meeting will be held remotely by Zoom interactive conference technology. Board members, staff, and members of the public may participate in the remote meeting by using the Zoom link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85450938925?pwd=n8bNu2nxGXXMUt4WNPRxrRsRknLM2G.1>

If you do not have the technology or ability to join the remote meeting via Zoom, please dial +1 (669) 444-9171 on the telephone to participate in the remote meeting.

Meeting ID: 854 5093 8925
Passcode: 786707

Physical Meeting:

A physical meeting location will be open to the public and will have an audiovisual connection, which will allow individuals at the physical meeting location to participate in the remote meeting. The address of the physical meeting location is 715 S King Street, Suite #211, Honolulu, HI 96813.

Written and Oral Testimony:

Individuals may submit written testimony by U.S. mail or hand delivery at 715 S King Street, Suite 211, Honolulu, HI 96813 or by email at OahuWDB@honolulu.gov. It is requested that written testimony be received at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. Individuals may provide remote oral testimony during the remote meeting at the Zoom link listed above. Individuals participating at the physical meeting location may also provide oral testimony during the remote meeting.

Equal Opportunity Employer/Program:

If you need an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, please contact Board Staff at (808) 768-5889 or email OahuWDB@honolulu.gov as soon as possible. Requests made as early as possible will allow adequate time to fulfill your request. Upon request, this notice is available in alternative formats.

Meeting materials are available at: <https://oahuwdb.com/minutes-agendas-2026/>

Note: Per the State Office of Information Practices (OIP), members of the public may contact

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order.....*Chair Wesley Akamine*
- II. Welcome and Introductions
(Note: Per the State OIP, a quorum of members must be visible throughout the public portion of the meeting, but so long as that requirement is met, Oahu Workforce Development Board (OWDB) members are allowed to attend board meetings on audio only. Their votes will still count, and their attendance will also count toward quorum. However, board members must state their names clearly during introductions and before all of their comments during the meeting.)
- III. Public Testimony relating to Agenda Items
- IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - a. June 9, 2026 Meeting Minutes
 - b. August 17, 2026 Meeting Minutes
- V. One Stop Operator Services Oversight Update
 - a. Discussion on Comprehensive One-Stop center location
- VI. Process for membership into the Oahu Workforce Development Board
 - a. Discussion on Board Seats staggering
- VII. Discussion on addition of Sub-Committee(s)
 - a. Military and Veterans Affairs Sub-Committee
 - b. Youth Sub-Committee - Develop special initiatives to increase youth participation, work experience, internships, apprenticeships, and credential attainment.
- VIII. Workforce Innovation & Special Initiatives
 - a. Identify and develop new workforce initiatives that can be piloted on O‘ahu
- IX. Workforce Research & Emerging Trends - Conduct special studies on issues affecting O‘ahu's workforce including outmigration, labor shortages, wages, automation, housing/workforce connections, etc.
- X. Intergovernmental Initiatives - Develop projects involving the City, State, federal government, education, economic development, and community organizations.
- XI. Workforce System Partnerships - Identify opportunities to bring together organizations that normally operate separately. This aligns well with WIOA's emphasis on convening, brokering, and leveraging resources.
- XII. Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act training for Service Provider, Staff and Oahu Workforce Development Board members

- XIII. Oahu Workforce Development Board Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Local Plan Update
 - a. The Oahu Workforce Development Board submitted a revised draft of their revised Oahu Workforce Development Board Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Local Plan on September 1, 2026.
- XIV. Announcements
 - a. The next Special Projects Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 15, 2026 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am.
- XV. Adjournment