

**CareerSource Pinellas
Workforce Solutions Committee Minutes**

Date: November 29, 2022, at 2:00 pm
Location: Hybrid – 13805 58th St. N. Room 1-455, Clearwater, FL 33760/Zoom

Call to Order

Committee Chair Mark Hunt called the meeting to order at 2:01 pm.

Members in Attendance

Mark Hunt, Dr. Rebecca Sarlo (signed on at 2:16pm), Belinthia Berry, Candida Duff, Elizabeth Siplin, Esther Matthews, Jenee Skipper

Members not in Attendance

Angel Barton, Denise Sanderson, Glenn Willocks, Ivonne Alvarez, Kevin Knutson, Michael Jalazo, Shawn McDonnell

Staff

Steven Meier, Jay Burkey, Mary jo Schmick, Caroline Kenney, Leah Geis, Jason Druding

Guests - NetSynergy

Amy Lesniak, Chris Morancie

ACTION ITEM 1 – Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the October 20, 2022, Workforce Solutions Committee meeting were presented for approval.

Motion:	Belinthia Berry
Second:	Candida Duff

The minutes were approved as presented. The motion carried unanimously. There was no further discussion.

ACTION ITEM 2 – Approval of Training Provider NetSynergy

Net Synergy Virtual Solution’s Pre-apprenticeship, LT3 Academy, is seeking initial provider approval. They have a registered apprenticeship that is already on the Eligible Training Provider List (no approval needed for RA).

Courses/Certificate/Diploma Programs

Type of Degree or Certificate		Tuition & Fees	Total Cost	Duration Of Training
Software Developer Pre-Apprenticeship Certificate		\$18,000	\$18,000	6 months

- Years in operation: 14 years
- Total enrollments for prior year: 0 (for pre-apprenticeship)
- Total enrollments current year: 33
- Retention Rate: 2 dropped out
- Completed: 3
- Employed: All 3
- 28 still in the program
- CareerSource would only actually cover: \$7,500 - \$7,900 (the committee requested this bullet point be added)

RECOMMENDATION

Approval to add the Net Synergy LT3 Academy Pre-Apprenticeship program to the Eligible Training Provider List.

Discussion: Mark Hunt made a statement he wanted on record, that he has concerns about the cost of the program because 18k is an exorbitant cost for a pre-apprenticeship program.

Motion:	Esther Matthews
Second:	Belinthia Berry
Descent:	Mark Hunt

*The Workforce Solutions Committee motioned for approval to add the Net Synergy LT3 Academy Pre-Apprenticeship program to the Eligible Training Provider List. **Mark Hunt was opposed and voted Nay.** The motion carried.*

Industry Insights – Some committee members gave updates about their respective sectors.

Other Administrative Matters - None

Open Discussion - None

Adjournment – Esther Matthews made a motion to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned at 2:22pm.