

## Contracts Freeze Exception Report to OFM

Agency: Workforce Training & Education Coordinating Board

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Approved	Contractor	Services	Term of Contract	Total Cost	Fund Source	( Rationale for Approving Exception
4/28/2025	Koné Consulting	Board Retreat Facilitation	5/14/2025-5/15/2025	3299.26	50% WIOA, 40% Perkins, 10% State General Fund	Koné Consulting has facilitated our 2024 Board Retreat and was crucial in connecting Board members and stakeholders to the vision of the state workforce plan, Talent and Prosperity for All (TAP). She will connect with Board members, create a plan for engagement on our 2026 Legislative Agenda, and lead the conversation on the day of the in-person Board retreat. This will be our first in-person Board convening of the year and Board members have expressed that they want to connect in-person. The agenda will focus on a complex range of topics related to workforce and Koné Consulting has expertise in guiding our leaders to success for an approach to next year's work. Without the expertise of a seasoned facilitator to navigate the conversation and push the work forward, the Workforce Board would be at risk of not defining our 2026 Legislative priorities and not articulating our next steps on review or rewriting of our state workforce plan.

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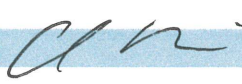
## Travel Freeze Exception Report to OFM

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Date Approved	Position Title	Total Cost	Fund Source (e.g. GFS, Tras	Rationale for Approving Exception
4/24/2025	Executive Director	2,348.27	Data System Integration	Executive Director has been invited to Washington, D.C. to participate on a panel at the EdTrust Convening to Engage in Discussions on the Landscape of Postsecondary Credentials Data. The session she is participating in is "Data Challenges and Opportunities in Assessing ROI and Value", on Monday, April 28. EdTrust is funding directors travel to Washington, D.C. for this convening. While she is in D.C. she will meet with Washington state legislators to discuss our Data Integration work. As director will be in Washington, D.C., she will have an opportunity to connect with state legislators during the week she is there, April 28, at a significant airfare cost savings. She will share the Workforce Board's efforts on the work of integrated data sharing.

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