

TO: Workforce Development Board

DATE: 04/13/17

FROM: WDB Staff

- For Discussion**
- For Action**
- For Information**

**SUBJECT: Workforce Development Board Nomination for Membership –
Dr. Peter Schuerman, Ph.D., University of California-Merced.**

PROPOSED MOTION(S): Accept the nomination of Dr. Peter Schuerman and forward to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

DISCUSSION: Section 107 (b)(2) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act outlines the criteria for membership on the local Workforce Development Board (WDB). Members of the local WDB may include private business, labor, all required partners, and education.

Dr. Peter Schuerman is the Associate Vice Chancellor, Office of Research and Economic Development, for the University of California-Merced. Dr. Schuerman has extensive past experience in community related activities, including: commercialization and business alliances programs at the University of Florida, Rice University, UC Berkeley, and Texas A&M that allowed companies to tap the innovation and human capital of these organizations. Currently, Dr. Schuerman is the Director and Founder, of the UC Merced Venture Lab. The Venture Lab is a critical linkage in the community that assists businesses in providing legal advice, business mentoring, co-working space, access to coaching, and facilitated networking at no cost. Dr. Schuerman is also the Director and Founder of the UC Merced Office of Business Development.

ATTACHMENT(S): Application available at meeting.