

Workforce Investment Board
Dept of Workforce Investment, Large Conference Rm
1880 W. Wardrobe Ave, Merced, CA
January 10, 2008, 3:00-5:00 p.m.
Meeting Minutes



<http://web.co.merced.ca.us/wi/wib/wib.html>

Members Present:

Andrea Baker
Kathleen Cookham
Carol Greenberg
Anne Newins
Rick Osorio
Vann (Mike) Smith
Lyle Wright

Don Bergman
Rennise Ferrario
Robert Harmon
Steve Newvine
Carole Roberds
Mike Sullivan

Bob Bittner
John Fowler
Albert Montejano
Terry Nichols
Al Romero
Nancy Ugarte

Members Absent:

Lee Andersen
Ernie Flores
Henry Ildefonso
Thomas Tsubota

Edward Dietz
Peter Fluetsch
Alfonse Peterson

Ben Duran
Darren Hughes
John Stewart

Others Present:

Brian Cutler
Amelee Jayasinghe
Joanne Presnell

Brittney Darmstandler
Dee Knight
Loretta Schlosser

Eddie Harding
Alfredo Mendoza
Jackie Walther-Parnell

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1. Call to Order/Roll Call – The Chair, Mr. Robert Harmon, called the meeting to order at 3:09 p.m. Roll call was taken.
 2. Approval of Agenda – It was *M/S/C Fowler/Bergman* to approve the agenda as published.
 3. Approval of Minutes – It was *M/S/C Greenberg/Montejano* to approve the September 13, 2007 minutes.
 4. Public Opportunity to Speak – None.
 5. Consent Agenda: It was *M/S/C Bergman/Fowler* to approve items a. through n. of the Consent Agenda.
 - a. Mod 8 to Five-Year Strategic Plan
 - b. Child Abuse Treatment Operational Agreement Approval
 - c. Individual Training Account Policy
 - d. Workforce Investment Board Membership – Joseph Lombardi
 - e. Workforce Investment Board Membership – Garith Krause
 - f. Workforce Investment Board Membership – David Long
 - g. Workforce Investment Board Membership – Nancy Ugarte
 - h. Youth Request for Proposal Work Statement
 - i. In-School Youth Contract Amendment
 - j. Out-of-School Youth Contract Amendment
 - k. Manpower, Inc One-Stop Memorandum of Understanding

- l. WorkKeys Work-Ready Certificate Signature
 - m. Incentive Funds Disposition
 - n. Job Corps Memorandum of Understanding
- 6. Action Agenda:**
- a. Limited Funds Policy – It was *M/S/C Fowler/Bergman* to approve the reinstatement of the Limited Funds Policy for adult intensive and training activities.
 - b. Ad Hoc One-Stop Certification Committee – It was *M/S/C Newins/Sullivan* to approve having an Ad Hoc One-Stop Certification Committee made up of Workforce Investment Board (WIB) volunteers.
 - c. Resolution to Support BEAM – It was *M/S/C Bergman/Montejano* to adopt a resolution in support of the Business-Education Alliance of Merced County, and forward to the Board of Supervisors for consideration. The BEAM will also become an agenda item under the WIB Member/-Committee Reports.
- 7. Presentations:**
- a. Enterprise Zone Vouchering: Mr. Dave Heyer gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Enterprise Zone (EZ) Vouchering program, and how profitable it is for businesses in Merced County. He also provided a map of the updated EZ areas, and the application that local businesses fill out.
- 8. Member Committee Reports:**
- a. P-16 Council: Ms. Andrea Baker, P-16 Council Co-Chair, noted the P-16 Council met today. P-16 received an ARCHES grant, which allows courses to be developed to have academic rigorous courses pared with Career and Technical Education courses that will qualify students for “A-G” college credits.
 - b. Ad Hoc Economic Development Committee: No report. Mr. Albert Montejano said the committee would be meeting the week of January 21, 2008, and he would have an update at the next WIB meeting.
- 9. Information Agenda:**
- a. WIB and Executive Meeting Schedules
 - b. State Board Regional Roundtable Meeting
 - c. Fiscal Reports
 - d. Participant Reports
 - e. Labor Market Information
- 10. Director’s Comments:** Ms. Baker noted the Department submitted a CalGRIP grant last week in partnership with Merced County Office of Education (MCOE) and Probation that will serve young people coming out of Bear Creek Academy. The MCOE Empower model will be used for this program. If funded, approximately 25 young people will be served.

Also, Merced, San Joaquin and Stanislaus Counties are again working collaboratively to submit to the Federal Government a Regional Innovations grant to look at biotechnology as a focus for the valley. This grant will identify training for people in biotechnical jobs for companies already in the valley, and

encourage biotechnical companies to come to the valley. Ms. Baker will keep the WIB updated on this grant.

All WIB members were invited to attend a Webinar – The Race for the White House: Where the Candidates Stand on Issues of Importance to the American Workforce—on Wednesday, January 30, 2008, 11 a.m.–1:00 p.m., in the Wardrobe Large Conference Room.

11. Chair Comments: The Chair thanked everyone for attending the meeting.
12. Next Meeting – March 13, 2008, Dept of Workforce Investment, 1880 W, Wardrobe Ave, Merced.
13. Adjourn - Meeting was adjourned 4:05 p.m.