

Workforce Investment Board
Dept of Workforce Investment, Large Conference Rm
1880 W. Wardrobe Ave, Merced, CA
January 11, 2007, 3:00-5:00 p.m.
Meeting Minutes



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

Members Present:

Lee Andersen	Andrea Baker	Don Bergman
Bob Bittner	Kathleen Cookham	Sharon Cresswell
Ben Duran	Rennise Ferrario	Ernie Flores
Phil Flores	John Fowler	Peter Fluetsch
Robert Harmon	Nellie McGarry	Anne Newins
Steve Newvine	Terry Nichols	Alfonse Peterson
Carole Roberds	Al Romero	Vann (Mike) Smith
Mike Sullivan	Steve Tinetti	

Members Absent:

Carol Greenberg	Albert Montejano	Rick Osorio
Thomas Tsubota		

Others Present:

Brian Cutler	Dave Davis	Martha Duenas
Eddie Harding	Dee Knight	Alfredo Mendoza
Mae Pierini	Joanne Presnell	Jackie Walther-Parnell

1. Call to Order/Roll Call – The Chair, Mr. Robert Harmon, called the meeting to order at 3:08 p.m. Roll call was taken.

The Chair welcomed two new Workforce Investment Board (WIB) members—Mr. Steve Newvine, The Greater Merced Chamber of Commerce CEO, and Ms. Rennise Ferrario, Merced County Housing Authority Director.

2. Approval of Agenda – It was *M/S/C Tinetti/Bergman* to approve the agenda as published.
3. Approval of Minutes – It was *M/S/C McGarry/Tinetti* to approve the November 9, 2006 minutes.
4. Public Opportunity to Speak – None.
5. Consent Agenda: It was *M/S/C Tinetti/Peterson (abstain Andersen/Bittner/Duran/Newins/-Roberds)* to approve items a.-c. of the Consent Agenda.
6. Action Agenda:
 - a. Workforce Investment Board Bylaws Revisions – A question was asked, “How would members of the Executive Committee be selected” since there would be no more standing committees, and should this be noted in the change of bylaws?

It was *M/S/C Bergman/Fowler* that the recommended bylaw changes be accepted and forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for approval with the following added change: Page 5, Item G.2, add Item e.

“Two private sector members will be elected at large to the Executive Committee, and said election will take place during the election of the Workforce Investment Board officers”.

Staff noted that Item G. 2.a. would also be revised to reflect the above change.

b. Workforce Investment Board-Sponsored Career Industry Days – Ms. Mae Pierini provided background and information regarding the Career Industry Days program. This year Merced County Office of Education (MCOE) will be sponsoring a Countywide Healthcare Industry Day.

It was *M/S/C Duran/Bittner (abstain Andersen)* to give MCOE \$1,000 in support of its Career Industry Day.

c. Ad Hoc Committee Volunteers – Staff noted that Mr. Albert Montejano has volunteered to chair the Economic Development Committee, and any WIB volunteers for this committee should contact Mr. Dave Davis at 724-2166 by close of business January 19, 2007, or let him know directly after the meeting adjourns.

It was *M/S/C Sullivan/Tinetti* to accept volunteers for the Economic Development ad hoc committee.

7. Presentation – End-of-Year Report: Ms. Andrea Baker gave a report on the accomplishments and highlights of the WIB for the past year. This End-of-Year Report, which is in booklet format, will be presented to the Board of Supervisors on **February 13, 2007**. It was noted that the report was located on the front table, and each WIB member could pick up a booklet after the meeting.

The Chair suggested that items 7.b.-Carryover Monies and 7.c.-Grants – How To be tabled until the March 8th meeting. All members agreed.

8. Information Agenda:

- a. Federal Nursing Grant
- b. Joint Board of Supervisors/Workforce Investment Board Meeting
- c. Ethics Training – Staff noted on the front table there were extra discs and completion sheets for those members who have not provided certification of this training. This certification was to have been completed by January 1, 2007.
- d. Manufacturing Career Advancement Academy Grant
- e. San Joaquin Valley Partnership
- f. Save the Date – Workforce Housing Taskforce Presentation – The date of the presentation on the information sheet is incorrect. The date of the presentation to the BOS is **January 23, 2007, 10:00 a.m.**
- g. Enterprise Zone Update
- h. LMI Updates
- i. Participant Reports
- j. Fiscal Report
- k. Committee Reports – www.co.merced.ca.us/wi/wib/wib.html

9. Director’s Comments: Ms. Andrea Baker noted she attended a Regional meeting today, and the focus is on implementing the San Joaquin Valley Partnership action plan, which will be presented to the WIB in the near future.

10. Chair Comments: The Chair asked those who are interested not to forget to volunteer for the ad hoc committee. He thanked everyone for their participation and making an effort to be present so the bylaw changes could be approved.

11. Other: None.

12. Next Meeting – March 8, 2007, Dept of Workforce Investment, 1880 W, Wardrobe Ave, Merced.

13. Adjourn - Meeting was adjourned 4:19.