

**Workforce Investment Board  
Program Planning and Development Committee  
Dept of Workforce Investment – Large Conference Room  
1880 W. Wardrobe Ave, Merced, CA  
Thursday, January 26, 2006, 3:00 – 4:30 P.M.  
Meeting Notes**



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**Members Present:** Andrea Baker, Nicholas Benjamin, Sharon Cresswell, Ernie Flores, John Fowler, Larry Pitts, Mike Sullivan (Chair)

**Members Absent:** Don Bergman, Phil Flores, Peter Fluetsch (Vice Chair), Robert Fore, Chris Rosander, Al Romero, Scott Galbraith, Carol Greenberg, Anne Newins, Thomas Tsubota

**Others Present:** Natalie Culver, Dave Davis, Patricia Hinson, Sandy Lemas, Alfredo Mendoza, Joanne Presnell

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**1. Call to Order and Roll Call:** At 3:08 the Chair noted the regular meeting would be canceled due to lack of a quorum. The Chair convened a workgroup to discuss the agenda items.

**2. Action Agenda:**

**a. Funds Request-MCOE Career Industry Days:** Staff informed the group that Merced County Office of Education facilitates five or six Career Industry Days per year. Two are coming up and fall under the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) Industry Clusters –Ag Industry and Healthcare. Six hundred youth are expected to participate. MCOE asked the Youth Council Committee to support these events, either through participation, providing industry visitation areas or through financial support.

**3. Information Agenda:**

**a. Progress Update-Robert Wood Johnson Foundation & Proposal:** Staff informed the workgroup that the Brief Proposal is the first step to applying for the grant of \$125,000.00. The vision of this grant is for Healthcare, Educational and Workforce Development to collaborate on bringing workbase driven curriculum to the healthcare organizations. With a focus on training Medical Assistance frontline staff. Mr. Mike Sullivan agreed to meet with staff, Merced College and the WIB to review the elements of this grant proposal.

**4. Announcements:**

**a.** Mr. John Fowler invited everyone to an Economic Development Brown Bag presentation on February 23, 2006, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at Castle Conference Center, 1900 Airdrome Entry, Atwater, CA (second entrance @ Buhach & Santa Fe, first blue building to your right). Lunch will be provided.

**5. Chair Comments:** The Chair thanked the workgroup for coming.

**6. Next Meeting Date/Time:** The next meeting is February 23, 2006, 1:45 p.m., Castle Conference Center, 1900 Airdrome Entry, Atwater, CA

**7. Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Patricia Hinson