

**Workforce Investment Board
Executive Committee
1880 W. Wardrobe Ave
June 5, 2006, 7:30-9:00 a.m.
Meeting Minutes**



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

Members Present:

Kathleen Crookham Albert Montejano Nellie McGarry (Chair) Rick Osorio
Mike Sullivan

Members Absent:

Mike (Vann) Smith

Others Present:

Andrea Baker Dave Davis Dee Knight Alfredo Mendoza
Joanne Presnell Jackie Walther-Parnell

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1. Call to Order/Roll Call: The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m. A sign-in sheet was used in lieu of roll call.
 2. Approval of Agenda: It was *M/S/C Osorio/Crookham* to approve the agenda as published.
 3. Approval of Minutes: It was *M/S/C Crookham/Sullivan* to approve the April 3, 2006 minutes.
 4. Public Opportunity to Speak: None.
 5. Action Agenda:
 - a. Registered Nurse Contract – It was *M/S/C Osorio/Crookham (one No, Sullivan)* to approve the Registered Nurse contract.

Merced Community College and staff were asked to provide for the next Workforce Investment Board meeting the number of Registered Nurses trained, how many graduated, and how many have been employed.

6. Discussion Agenda:
 - a. WIA-Funded Nursing Programs – Impact on Training Budgets: The impact of cost was discussed.
7. Information Agenda:
 - a. PY 2006/07 Allocations & PY 2005/06 Rescission and Reallocation: The Department will receive its actual allocations by the end of June or beginning of July. The allocations will be based on the economy of Merced County. Youth funding to the State from the Federal went down 14%, Adult went down 14%, and Dislocated Worker went down 11%.

Ms. Andrea Baker noted the Dept of WI has been writing grants—1) Two grants submitted in mid-May for Dislocated Worker funds, 2) Child Support Services is submitting a grant that will allow the Dept of WI to provide services to the noncustodial parent, and 3) Madera County has contracted with the Dept of WI to serve its dislocated workers.

b. Operation Vet Connect Proposal: Stanislaus County has submitted a regional proposal for a Federal grant, which includes Stanislaus, Mariposa, Merced and Tuolumne Counties, to provide services to the veterans in the aforementioned counties.

c. Workforce Investment Board Retreat: The Workforce Investment Board (WIB) Retreat will be held Monday, July 24, 2006, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in the Dept of WI Large Conference Room. The Retreat will be facilitated by Ms. Virginia Hamilton, Executive Director, CA Workforce Association.

8. Director Comments: Ms. Andrea Baker noted the WIB has given the Executive Board authority to make decisions regarding lobbying for the issue of the Bureau of Labor Statistics deleting mining, fishing, forestry, government and agriculture from its allocation methodology that affected all the rural counties. She gave an update of what had been done. The committee asked Ms. Baker to continue working on this issue, and keep them informed of the progress.

9. Chair Comments: Ms. Nellie McGarry congratulated Mr. Robert Harmon on being the next WIB Chair. She thanked everyone for their support.

10. Next Meeting: July 3 2006, Dept of Workforce Investment Large Conference Room, 1880 W. Wardrobe Ave.

11. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 8:25 a.m.