

**Workforce Investment Board
Executive Committee
1880 W. Wardrobe Ave
7:30-9:00 a.m., June 27, 2005
Meeting Minutes**



Members Present:

Nellie McGarry
Mike Smith

Albert Montejano

Rick Osorio

Members Absent:

Kathleen Crookham

Mike Sullivan

Others Present:

Donna Barnes
Jackie Walther-Parnell

Dave Davis

Alfredo Mendoza

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- I. Call to Order/Roll Call - The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Nellie McGarry. Roll was taken by Donna Ornelas.
 - II. Approval of Agenda - It was M/S/C Smith/Montejano to approve the agenda as written.
 - III. Approval of Minutes – It was M/S/C Osorio/Smith to approve the minutes of April 25, 2005.
 - IV. Public Opportunity to Speak- None.
 - V. Action Agenda
 - a. Funding for P-16 Council – It was M/S/C Osorio/Montejano to recommend the WIB provide \$5000 financial support for the P-16 Council to be used to leverage other funds to employ a full-time Council staff person.

Nellie McGarry reported that she recently attended a P-16 Conference in Southern California. She, along with representatives from MCOE and Economic Development were responsible for a presentation on how to put together a Council in a rural area. The Council is focused on collaboration with business and education to improve the quality of education and increasing educational levels for youth in Merced County. The Council is working on getting funding to support these efforts.
 - VI. Committee Updates
 - a. Program Planning & Development – The Committee has chosen health care as an industry to support. Additionally, the committee will be looking at evaluating the self-sufficiency wage again at the next meeting.
 - b. Quality Assurance – The Committee has received the One-Stop recertification application to be mailed out June 27, 2005. It is anticipated the recertification will be completed by November 2005. The certification is good for three years.

- c. Finance – The Committee is scheduled to meet, Wednesday, June 9, 2005.
- d. Youth Council – The last meeting was canceled. The next meeting the Council will be looking at performance measures. Mr. Osorio requested a presentation by the P-16 Council. Mike Smith will provide that update.

VII. Director Comments - none

VIII. Chair Comments – Ms. McGarry reported that she and Andrea Baker have been attending the City Council meetings throughout the County where they have been doing presentations on the State of the Workforce Report.

Ms McGarry noted the next WIB meeting will include a presentation by a representative from MCOE on P-16 and the Board will develop workgroups to address the implications for action as identified in the State of the Workforce report.

IX. Other – Rick Osorio mentioned the recent email received by the Department that quoted unemployment figures for Merced, stating they figure is 8.9%. Mr. Osorio questioned the method for calculating the figures. The question was raised if this method has changed since the last report. The reason for the question is that the figure seemed to have dropped dramatically without explanation. Mr. Davis noted that WIB staff would follow up on the methods for calculating and report back.

X. Next Meeting – July 25, 2005

XI. Adjourn - Meeting adjourned 8:20 a.m.