

**Merced County
Workforce Investment Board
Meeting Notes
June 15, 2000
2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Members Present:

Don Bergman	Rose Boudreau	Jeff Braga
Peter Fluetsch	Carol Greenberg	John Heading
Diana Ingram	Jeff Knapp	Tom May
Nellie McGarry	Ned Miller	Jack Mobley
Rick Osorio	Lesley Peeler	Alfonse Peterson
Al Romero	Vann Smith	Steve Tinetti
Elaine Craig	Ann Newins	Helen Sullivan
Richard Becker	Charlie Lambert	Doreen Crawford
Chuck Dean	Brian Griffin	David Riordan
Bill Cahill	John Fowler	Elaine Trevino
Nick Benjamin	Bob Bittner	Harry Dull
Ernie Flores	Grover Omyer	Terry Tatum
Jim White	Kathleen Crookham	

Members Absent:

Bob Carpenter	Robert Harmon	Judy Steinke
George Brown	Ben Duran	Richard Shipley

Others Present:

Andrea Baker	Joanne Presnell	Becky Lincoln
Donna Ornelas	Mary Hamilton	Mike Zdanowski
John Kasnick	Eddie Harding	Leo Lamb

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call** - Opening remarks by Jerry O'Banion, Board of Supervisors Chair and Steve Tinetti, Interim Workforce Investment Board Chair
- 2. Introduction of WIB Members and Term Selection** –Jerry O'Banion introduced each of the new WIB members, and term selections were drawn.
- 3. Swearing in of new WIB members** – Oaths of Office were signed and the members were sworn in.
- 4. Background presentation on the Workforce Investment Board** – Andrea Baker gave a presentation on the background of WIA – the topics included.
 - Goal of Congress with legislation

- (7) Key principles of the law
- Basics of WIB
- Mandated Responsibilities of WIB – noted shared responsibilities with Local Elected Officials
 - o Youth Council established and ratified by Board of Supervisors
- - Mandated Responsibilities of Local Elected Officials
- Youth Council – Nellie McGarry Youth Chair
 - o Duties
- Staff Support for the WIB – Admin staff, analytical support
- Overview of One Stop System
- Focus of employers as clients/partners
- Possible services to employers
- Eligible Training Provider List
 - o Anywhere in the state but must be on approved list
 - o One stop centers locations
 - o Transition report and 5 year plan – is it consistent? (noted that the goal in 5 yr plan is to bring partners goals in line)
- Individual Training Account
- Action Taken by the Interim Board – noted that the plan can be modified
 - o Discussion on board designation
 - o Establishing membership of youth council
 - o WIA 5 year plan
 - o Self sufficiency wage and methodology WIB has authority to set different self sufficiency wage
 - o Exceptions
 - o Approval of closeout plan
 - o Nominations to the Employment & Training Providers List (ETPL)

6. Action Items

- a. *Transition Report – it was M/S/C Bergman/Miller* to ratify action taken by interim WIB
- b. *Continuation of Transition Committee Authority to take action on behalf of the WIB through 9/30/00 – it was M/S/C McGarry/Griffin* to approve. There was a question if the transition was in accordance with the law. It was noted that the interpretation of the law was that as long as WIB delegate authority to sub-committees it was within the scope of the law.

7. Remarks by the Chair

Steve Tinetti addressed the memo on Labor Market Information (LMI) study done by the Center for Public Policy Studies at California State University of Stanislaus. He noted that there will be a presentation at the Board of Supervisor’s session on July 11, 2000 and that WIB members are encouraged to attend.

It was noted that there needs to be a Nomination Committee formed so that officers can be selected. Mr. Tinetti asked for volunteers. Those that volunteered are as follows: Don Bergman, Nellie McGarry, Alfonse Peterson, David Riordan, Brian Griffin.

It was noted that the next meeting will be on July 12, 2000. This session will be an all day strategic planning session to be held in Atwater at the Community Center. All members are encouraged to attend.

The Chair advised the Board that the Brown Act and the Workforce Investment Act required open meetings that are publicly noticed. Mr. Tinetti noted that the meeting notes and agendas will be available on the internet and board members are encouraged to use the internet as a vehicle for communication. (www.co.merced.ca.us brings you to the Merced County home page. The index on the left has a WIB button.)

8. Questions or Comments

Questions were asked regarding the expectations of WIA, guidelines, and policies to be reviewed and developed by transition committee. It was noted that at this point there are only Interim Final Rules. It is anticipated there will be more information through the consultant at the strategic planning meeting of July 12.

9. Adjourned – meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.