

TO: WIB

DATE: 01/13/11

FROM: WIB Staff

- For Discussion**
- For Action**
- For Information**

SUBJECT: Workforce Investment Board Nomination for Membership – Ms. Joanne Presnell of the Presnell Ranch

PROPOSED MOTION(S): Accept the nomination of Ms. Joanne Presnell, and forward to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

DISCUSSION: Section 117 (b)(2) of the Workforce Investment Act outlines criteria for membership on the local Workforce Investment Board (WIB). One of the membership requirements is that a majority of the members of the Local Board must be representatives of local businesses (Sec. 117(b)(2)(a)(i)).

Ms. Presnell was nominated for membership by the Merced County Farm Bureau. Ms Presnell is the former Assistant Director of the Merced County Department of Workforce Investment and has extensive background in Workforce Investment. She has also been an active member with Merced River School District, California Women for Agriculture, various local Chambers of Commerce, as well as a recent WIB member representing the Department of Workforce Investment as a One-Stop partner. Ms. Presnell is currently being nominated to represent the business sector since her retirement from the Department of Workforce Investment.

ATTACHMENT(S): Membership Application

Workforce Investment Board Of Merced County

Alfonse Peterson, Chair
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Nominations to the Merced County Workforce Investment Board

To: All Nominating Organizations

Thank you for submitting a nomination for the Workforce Investment Board from your Organization. Please complete the information below, have it signed by the individual authorized and attach it to the completed application.

To: The Workforce Investment Board

From: The Merced County Farm Bureau

Proudly submits the name of Joanne Presnell

to the Merced County Board of Supervisors for nomination to the Workforce Investment Board of Merced County.

Signed  Title Executive Dir Date 12/3/10

County of Merced
Application for Nomination
to the
Workforce Investment Board

Date: 12/01/10

Name: Joanne Presnell Home Telephone: _____

Home Address: _____ Home Fax: _____

_____ Home e-mail: _____

Place of Employment: Presnell Ranch

Occupation/Position: Owner

Work Address: same as above Work Telephone: _____

_____ Work Fax: _____

Work e-mail: _____

Do you prefer to be contacted at work , or at home ? Please check one.

Please answer all of the questions on the attached two pages.

Please answer all questions with as much pertinent information about yourself as possible. Remember that this form will be used to determine if you have the qualifications to be nominated for consideration to serve on the Workforce Investment Board.

If you need more room for your answers, please use an additional sheet of paper.

1. List past or present involvement in community-related activities (i.e., committees, volunteer work, commissions, boards, chambers of commerce, etc.)

Merced County Workforce Investment Board - member
Greater Chamber of Commerce - Ambassador
Merced County Chamber of Commerce - Board of Directors
Merced County Farm Bureau - member
California Women for Agriculture - member
Faith Bible Church - Women's Ministry Coordinator
Worknet Leadership Team - member
Merced River School District - board member

2. Explain your understanding of the purposes, responsibilities and services offered by the Workforce Investment Act.

Core and Training Services are provided to adults and dislocated workers through a One-Stop Career delivery system that includes identified partners. The local Workforce Investment Board should have a majority of private sector members and has oversight of the services, develops policy, negotiates performance measures, certifies the One-Stop, approves youth providers and convenes and facilitates discussions regarding issues related to workforce development and economic development.

3. List any experiences you feel would be advantageous to the Workforce Investment Board.

I have over 20 years of experience in federally funded and state and county operated Employment and Training Programs and most recently have served as the Assistant Director for the Merced County Department of Workforce Investment. I have experience in all aspects of the WIA legislation at the local level that range from One-Stop Career Center operations to WIB staffing, grant writing, monitoring and contracting.

I have worked in Agriculture for most of my life to include the management and operations of poultry, dairy, beef, and goat production.

4. Please list any other information that you feel would be pertinent.

I have am dedicated to working to make Merced County a place that has employment and opportunities for its residents.

5. Past experience in workforce development, economic development (e.g. Workforce Investment Board membership, youth employment/training committees).

I have been a member of the Worknet Leadership Team for 8 years that consists of the One-Stop Career Center partners. This team is responsible for the day to day services that are provided through the partnership. It also have been the driving force behind the Continuous Quality Improvement that has taken place at the Merced County Worknet One-Stop Career Centers and the certification application and California Award for Performance Excellence (Prospector Award) received for quality services.

I have also been a WIB member who represents the Merced County Department of Workforce Investment as the One Stop Operator.

6. References: List two references who can attest to your suitability for appointment to the Workforce Investment Board. (Name/Address/Telephone Number).

Andrea T. Baker - 724-2002

Jill Stone - 358-4606

Signature: _____