

**Workforce Investment Board
Executive Committee
1880 Wardrobe Ave
Merced, CA 95341
August 9th, 2010, 7:30-8:30 a.m.
Meeting Minutes**



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

Members Present:

Alfonse Peterson (Chair) Edward Dietz Debbie Glass Hubert (Hub) Walsh
Al Romero

Members Absent:

Steve Newvine

Others Present:

Andrea Baker Brian Cutler Alfredo Mendoza Cynthia Mount
Joanne Presnell Jackie Walther-Parnell

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1. Call to Order/Roll Call: Mr. Alfonse Peterson called the meeting to order at 7:35 A.M. Roll call was taken.
 2. Approval of Agenda: It was *M/S/C Romero/Dietz* to approve the agenda as published.
 3. Approval of Minutes: It was *M/S/C Dietz/Romero* to approve the June 7, 2010 minutes.
 4. Public Opportunity to Speak: None
 5. Action Agenda
 - a. Fiscal Report: Staff explained the Fiscal Report that pertains to fiscal year 09/10. The required goal of 80% funds to be obligated and/or spent by the fiscal year end was met. It was noted that 99% of funds in the dislocated worker category and 98% of youth funding have been spent or obligated.

The final two pages detail the Merced County Office of Education's (MCOE) youth contracts. These two reports show the variance from the planned expenditure amounts. The MCOE ended with \$32,000 in younger youth and \$42,000 in older youth for a total of \$74,000 unspent in between the two contracts.

It was explained that overall the non-obligated funds (approximately 20%) are carried over to the current fiscal year and used to offset costs until the State passes a budget.

It was *M/S/C Dietz/Glass* to approve the Fiscal Report as submitted.

- b. Cancellation of September Executive Committee Meeting: It was *M/S/C Dietz/Glass* to approve the cancellation of the September Executive Committee Meeting.

- c. Worknet of Tulare County – National Emergency Grant Agreement: The Collaborative consists of 9 workforce investment areas in the San Joaquin Valley. The grant that was applied for totaled \$8,197,664. Merced County would receive \$263,780 for the period 5/1/2010 – 4/30/2011: 1) assessments, 2) work experience to dislocated workers, 3) individual training in the five WIB supported targeted sectors of Agribusiness, Manufacturing, Renewable / Alternative Energy, Healthcare, and Transportation/Logistics, and 4) contracted training in the those sectors listed. The decision of the allocation of dollars is based on population of the various areas.

It was *M/S/C Dietz/Glass* to recommend the approval of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Workforce Investment Board of Tulare County to satisfy the Regional Economic Impact – National Emergency Grant (REI/NEG) requirements, providing \$263,780 in revenue for assessments, work experience, and training related activities, and forward to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

6. Director Comments: The Director noted that obligations were set high for Fiscal Year 2009/10. There have been reductions in funding: \$600,000 from the State (California received less from the Federal government), \$60,000 rescission in New Start Subgrant, and over \$200,000 increase in our share of the costs to the County. A proposal will be provided to the Board of Supervisors with recommendations regarding reducing obligations based on a pending utilization analysis. Staff will continue to see grants and/or other funding resources available. Staff will continue to look for other resources. Chair told Staff how he appreciates what they are doing understanding that there is a funding stream that is uncertain.
7. Chair Comments: The Chair thanked members for their attendance this morning and taking time out of their busy schedule.
8. Next Meeting: The next scheduled meeting is October 4th, Dept. of WI, Large Conference Room, 1880 Wardrobe Ave.
9. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 7:56 A.M.