

**GOVERNOR'S WORKFORCE BOARD RI
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2008**

MINUTES

Committee Members Present: Joseph MarcAurele, William McGowan, Brandon Melton,
Jack Warner, Sharon Moylan
GWB Staff Present: J. Michael Koback, Maureen Mooney
Location: RI DLT, Conference room 73-2

With a quorum present, Chair MarcAurele called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

A motion was entered to approve the minutes of the 6-19-08 Executive Committee meeting.

VOTE: W. McGowan moved to approve, seconded by J. Warner. All approved.

Director's Report

M. Koback reported that the Business Retention Expansion Initiative was approved by the Strategic Investments Committee and that it is a partnership between the Department of Labor & Training (DLT) the Governor's Workforce Board (GWB) and the Economic & Development Corporation (EDC).

Strategic Planning Update

M. Koback provided an update on the strategic planning process noting that a state workforce plan strategy session was held last week and facilitated by Nina Babich of the Corporation for a Skilled Workforce (CSW). He noted this workgroup consisted of employers, labor, community based organizations, manufacturing, and industry partners. He also noted that the Unified Workforce Plan is scheduled for completion by April 2009.

FY'09 Board Agenda

M. Koback mentioned possible board agenda items for the upcoming year could include the codification of the GWB (HRIC), expanding current marketing strategies, and increasing the visibility of the GWB. He indicated securing a seat on the EDC board would be one way of increasing GWB visibility. He indicated he is considering taking the GWB website off the state web system in order to make this site more interactive. M. Koback reported that there will be a presentation on the marine trades at Thursday's GWB Board meeting.

With no further business, Chair MarcAurele asked for a motion to adjourn.

VOTE: B. Melton moved to approve, seconded by S. Moylan. All approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Mooney