

Governor's Workforce Board RI
Planning and Evaluation Committee Meeting
June 2, 2009

Meeting Minutes

Committee Members present: William McGowan, Mario Bueno, Paul MacDonald
Committee Members absent: Sandra Powell, Mia Caetano-Johnson
GWB Staff present: John O'Hare, Maureen Mooney
DLT Staff present: Donna Treglia, Carlos Ribeiro, Maureen Palumbo
Location: RI Department of Labor & Training, Conference room 72-1

Call to Order and Chair's Remarks

Chair McGowan called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Meeting Minutes

A motion was entered to approve the 3/3/09 meeting minutes of the Planning and Evaluation Committee.

VOTE: P. MacDonald moved to approve, seconded by M. Bueno. All were in favor, the motion passed.

Workforce Investment Notices

D. Treglia of the State Workforce Investment Office reviewed the following WIN notices:

Workforce Investment Notice: **08-17** Local Plan Modification Guidance
Workforce Investment Notice: **08-18** Notice of Public Hearing – Title 1B WIA/Wagner Peyser State Plan Modification for Program Year 2009
Workforce Investment Notice: **01-02 (change 7)** Subsequent Eligibility Certification Process of Eligible Training Providers Programs/Providers
Workforce Investment Notice: **08-19** Dislocated Worker Allocations for PY2009
Workforce Investment Notice: **08-20** Allocations for Adult and Youth Programs for PY2009
Workforce Investment Notice: **08-21** Confidentiality Agreement for Youth Providers
Workforce Investment Notice: **08-22** Workforce Investment Act and Wagner-Peyser Performance Accountability Reporting for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

With no further questions or discussion, Chair McGowan requested a motion to approve the WIN notices as presented.

VOTE: M. Bueno moved to approve, seconded by P. MacDonald. All were in favor, the motion passed.

Technical Assistance Plan Summary

D. Treglia of the SWIO provided background information on the Youth Technical Assistance Plan. She cited WIN 06-05 as setting the standard for failed performance and explained that a first year failure results in a technical assistance plan that is focused on improving WIA performance. She explained that the SWIO in conjunction with staff of the Local Workforce Investment Board (LWIB) develops the plan. She further indicated that the plan is presented as an action item to the GWB Planning and Evaluation Committee and then to the full board for approval.

A discussion about the program factors and conditions of two poor performing contracts cited in the technical assistance plan followed. It was noted that these contracts were de-obligated but that clients who were already enrolled in the program remained eligible for performance measures. C. Ribeiro of the Workforce Partnership of Greater RI (WPGRI) provided further insight about the failed performance contracts. There was much discussion among committee

members regarding making public the names of the organizations that had failed contracts. It was strongly suggested that the vendors are not mentioned by name noting it was not an accurate portrayal of services provided by the organization. Therefore committee members P. MacDonald and M. Bueno did not approve the Technical Assistance Plan. Chair McGowan recused himself from the vote stating he would follow the will of the committee.

The motion to approve the Youth Technical Assistance Plan was tabled.

Final Workforce Boards One Year Plans

D. Treglia discussed the local plan modification guidance procedure for the Local Workforce Boards One Year Plans for the Workforce Partnership of Greater Rhode Island (WPGRI) and Workforce Solutions of Providence/Cranston to receive additional funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Recovery Act) of 2009 and Program Year 2009 Workforce Investment Act Formula funds. She reported that the DRAFT Local Workforce Boards One Year Plans were approved by the Board at its meeting on May 14, 2009. She explained that the Planning and Evaluation Committee must endorse the FINAL Workforce Boards One Year Plans. If endorsed, the plans will move to the full board at its June 18, 2009 meeting.

With no further questions or discussion, Chair McGowan requested a motion to endorse the Final Workforce Boards One Year Plans.

VOTE: P. MacDonald moved to approve, seconded by M. Bueno. All others were in favor, the motion passed

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, Chair McGowan asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

A motion was entered to adjourn the meeting of the Planning and Evaluation committee.

VOTE: M. Bueno moved to approve, seconded by P. MacDonald. All others were in favor, the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Mooney