

Workforce Partnership of Greater Rhode Island

Executive Committee

June 7, 2011

Present: Steve Kitchin, Cynthia Farrell, Joe DiPina, Joe Oakes, Paul Harden, Paul Ouellette, Robin Ann Smith

Staff: Christine Grieco, Diane Vendetti, Gail DuPont, Jen Cornwell, Judy DiGiorgio, Kathy Quattrini, Shirley Winslow

Guests: David Tremblay, Jo-Anne Thibedeau

With a quorum present Chair Kitchin called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

VOTE: Mr. DiPina made a motion to approve the May 3, 2011 minutes. Mr. Ouellette seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman's Report: Mr. Kitchin noted he had received a letter of resignation from Steve Wilson who had been a member of the Board of Directors for many years. The resignation is effective immediately. Mr. Kitchin stated Betty Pleacher was not retained by the East Bay Chamber of Commerce due to the Chamber's financial problems.

Mr. Kitchin noted that WPGRI had a very successful job fair at the

Crowne Plaza Hotel on May 5, 2011.

Executive Director's Report: Ms. Grieco discussed the Local Area Workforce Investment Notice: PY10-06, ITA/ETPL. Beginning on July 1, 2011 the current three-tier system will be replaced by a new approach of classifying "In-Demand Occupations" according to "real time" information provided by the LMI Unit of DLT.

The primary list provided by LMI may be augmented with additional occupations that are industry and/or employer specific and require specialized training. These occupations may be identified by DLT's Business Workforce Center, the state's Industry Partnerships, and other workforce development entities including the Workforce Investment Board to ensure that the In-Demand List accurately captures all current and future occupational opportunities in RI.

Ms. Grieco asked for a recommendation from the Executive Committee to forward the Local Area Workforce Investment Notice: PY10-06 draft to the Board of Directors for a final vote of approval.

VOTE: Mr. Harden made a motion to recommend the Executive Committee forward the Local Area Workforce Investment Notice: PY10-06 draft to the Board of Directors for a final vote. Ms. Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Grieco explained the Local Area Workforce Investment Notice:

PY10-07 draft. WPGRI defines a non-performing OJT employer as one who has previously exhibited a pattern of failing to provide OJT participants with long term employment. If an OJT employer is determined to be non-performing by WPGRI, they may be disqualified from participating in the OJT program for one year from the date of the disqualification.

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VOTE: Mr. DiPina made a motion to recommend the Executive Committee forward the Local Workforce Investment Notice: PY10-07 draft to the Board of Directors for a final vote. Mr. Harden seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Proposed changes to PY10 Performance goals

Ms. Grieco presented the re-negotiated proposed goals from SWIO to DOL. SWIO informed WPGRI that DOL has informally agreed to these goals. SWIO is waiting for official word from DOL and will then prepare a WIN notice.

PY10 WIA Performance Q3

Ms. Grieco presented the WIA performance for Q3 WPGRI will be passing all goals once DOL sends official approval of re-negotiated goals.

WPGRI By-Laws

Discussion of WPGRI By-Laws has been postponed until September 7, 2011 Executive Committee meeting.

Committee Reports

Board Development

There was no new business to bring before the committee to discuss.

Quality Assurance

Ms. DiGiorgio spoke about the NetWORKri monitoring that WPGRI conducted.

Strategic Development

There was no new business to bring before the committee to discuss.

Finance Committee

There was no new business to bring before the committee to discuss.

Youth Council

There was no new business to bring before the committee to discuss.

New/Old Business

There being no new or old business Steve Kitchin called the meeting to adjournment at 10:00am

VOTE: Cynthia Farrell made a motion to accept the meetings adjournment. Paul Ouellette seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.