

**Workforce Partnership of Greater RI
Strategic Development Committee
February 1, 2013**

Present: Bob Cooper, Paul Harden, Wendy Kagan, James White

Absent: Gail Patry, Carmen Ferguson

WPGRI Staff: Kara Aniballi, Sharon Geoffrey, Nancy Olson, Kathy Quattrini, Carlos Ribeiro, Jo-Anne Thibedeau, Diane Vendetti

SWIO Staff: Pat Leduc-Pelletier, Mavis McGetrick, David Tremblay

Call to Order/Minutes of January 17, 2013

Chair Paul Harden called the meeting to order at 8:47 am and requested the Committee review the minutes of January 17, 2013.

VOTE: Bob Cooper made a motion to approve the minutes. James White seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

State Workforce Investment Office

David Tremblay, Administrator of the State Workforce Investment Office (SWIO) came to discuss the Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL). The Committee had inquiries on how a provider gets on the list, how they stay on the list, and how come different providers have different costs for the same trainings.

David explained the application process for a provider to get on the ETPL list. David also explained that the Committee and Board can vote to change the provider list so it is industry specific. He proceeded to state that WPGRI also has the option to write the ETPL contracts so they are performance driven.

WIA Plan 2012-2016 (Draft)

Chair Harden stated there was a public hearing for the Plan on January 22, 2013 at the Department of Labor and Training. Paul Harden as a representative of the EDC was present at this hearing along with, Nancy Olson, Diane Vendetti, and Mavis McGetrick from SWIO.

There is a written comment period from Tuesday January 22 2013 and will conclude on Wednesday, February 20, 2013. Any written comments submitted will be brought before the Committee for review.

The Committee members noted some changes they would like seen in the plan. Diane Vendetti will make these changes and if approved here the plan will be presented at the February 5, 2013 Executive Committee for approval and then at the February 12, 2013 Board of Directors meeting for approval.

VOTE: Chair Harden made a motion to recommend to approve the

WIA Plan 2012-2016 Draft at the February 5, Executive Committee meeting and then at the February 12, 2013 Board of Directors meeting with the noted changes made. Bob Cooper seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Review the Strategic Planning

Chair Harden stated he will move the review of the Strategic Plan to next months meeting agenda.

Adjournment

At 9:49 Chair Harden requested a motion to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE: Bob Cooper made a motion to adjourn. James White seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kara Aniballi