

WORKFORCE PARTNERSHIP OF GREATER RHODE ISLAND

Quality Assurance Committee Meeting Minutes

May 27, 2008

Members present: Chairman Michael Cassidy, Ray Filippone, Joe DesRoches, and Paul Harden. Staff / Guests: Nick Ucci, Gail DuPont, Mavis McGetrick and Kathy Partington.

Members absent: Ernani Vergano, Ed Sneesby, Kim Weiss, Diane Cook, Diane Karcz, Vin Balasco, and Steve Wilson.

Without a quorum present Chairman Mike Cassidy called the meeting to order approximately 8:48 AM.

Committee Meeting Minutes:

Lack of a quorum postponed the approval of the minutes from the previous meeting on March 25, 2008.

Annual Meeting Awards:

Nick explained the only Annual Meeting Award this year will be for Excellence in Leadership at a netWORKri Career Center. The criteria for this award is an employee who has demonstrated exemplary leadership in day-to-day operations and whose quality of work and

ethic serve as a model for others to follow. Through his or her work, both as an individual and as a team member, the nominee has improved the effectiveness and quality of workforce development services(s) at their respective Center and/or throughout the netWORKri system as a whole. Based upon conversations between WPGRI staff and DLT/netWORKri management, a recommendation was made to the Committee that Marie DeRoche from the Pawtucket netWORKri Career Center be honored with this award at the Board's Annual Meeting on June 10, 2008.

VOTE: Paul Harden made a recommendation to approve the selection of Marie DeRoche as the award winner. Joe DesRoches seconded and the motion to recommend to the Executive Committee was passed unanimously.

3rd Quarter PY 2007 Performance Update:

Nick compiled charts showing performance reports in all categories. The 3rd Quarterly WIA Performance Reports show most of the Adult and Dislocated Workers categories are passing performance. He acknowledged most of the youth categories are failing in part due to poor-performing contracts that have since been deobligated by the Board. He explained that youth who had enrolled in the programs will cycle out of performance beginning in PY2008. Nick acknowledged that Providence/Cranston has better performance which could boost state performance overall in the Youth Category. Nick explained that these numbers do not reflect the recent system changes which

should improve outcome numbers. He also reported that a recommendation has been made to the Board to raise the ITA training cap to \$5,500.

New Business:

Joe DesRoches announced that he will be retiring from state service next month. He suggested that the vacant position on this committee be replaced with someone from the state Veteran's Services unit.

Being no further business to come before the committee, Chair Mike Cassidy adjourned the meeting at 9:10 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail DuPont