



GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON WORKFORCE POLICY (GCWP)

June 18, 2009

Grand Canyon Conference Room, Basement
1700 West Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85007
Meeting Minutes Summary

I. Call to Order & Welcome

Chair Lisa Lovallo called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.; welcoming members, new council members and guests.

Roll Call

Pam Ross	Mary Vanis
David Martin	Ron Curtis
Dennis Anthony	Pat Harrington, Director Neal Young designee
Hank Atha	Donna Davis
Leon Quan	Stephen Zajac
Peggy Belknap	Mark Dobbins
Tim Rango	Sherman Jennings
Joseph Beers	Mary Kaffer
Alan Bunnell	Dick White
Tony Sissons	Milt Erickson, Director Tom Horne designee
Jerry Ewing, Director Don Cardon designee	

Via Teleconference

Lisa Lovallo	Buzz Murphy
Gary Marks	Elaine Babcock
Stephanie McKinney	Rebekah Friend

Council Members Absent

Mike Bull

Staff Members Present

Rosalyn Boxer

Introduction of New Council Members

Dennis Anthony Central Arizona Project Phoenix, AZ	Sherman Jennings Boeing Phoenix, AZ	Stephan Zajac Prescio Consulting LLC Casa Grande, AZ
Joseph Beers HR Betty Scottsdale, AZ	Leon Quan Quan Presentations Chandler, AZ	Mark Dobbins SUMCO Phoenix Corporation Phoenix, AZ
Alan Bunnell Pinnacle West Capital Corp. Phoenix, AZ	Tim Rango Seafab Metals Co. Casa Grande, AZ	

II. Approval of Minutes, May 6, 2009

GCWP member Peggy Belknap motioned to approve the May 6, 2009 minutes and Vice Chair Pam Ross seconded the motion. Motion adopted and approved.

III. **Approval as a consent agenda item for the State Plan Modification & Waivers**

Carolyn Ufford, Department of Economic Security, is recommending the final approval from the Council the State Plan Modification required by the United States Department of Labor regarding the implementation of the American Recovery Reinvestment Act Funds. The State Plan Modification is due June 30, 2009. The State Plan Modification period will cover from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. Draft for the State Plan and with all the Waivers was posted for public comment. Arizona has three new waivers and one pending waiver. Arizona has received approval of two of its waivers – Youth Waivers. GCWP member Pat Harrington motion to approve to adopt the State Plan Modification required by the US Department of Labor regarding the ARRA funds and GCWP member Vice Chair Pam Ross seconded the motion. Motion adopted and approved.

IV. **Approval of requested funds to operate ETPL and ETPL Performance Measures**

Mike French, Department of Education, reported to the Council Eligible Trainer Provider List is a required activity is a required program of the WIA. All providers of training and their programs of study must be included on this list in order to receive WIA Title 1B ITA funds. Arizona Department of Education provides system upgrades, training, monitoring providers, coordinating ETPL activities with other WIA partners, and other related activities. Department of Education developed and maintained the Arizona Heat web site and a two-part report on the activity of ETPL is included in the packet for the Council. The Department of Education is requesting additional funds for the amount of \$238,570.00 due to the circumstances in the current economy there has been substantial increase in volume from both the user and provider. GCWP member Hank Atha motion to approve the requested funds to operate ETPL and ETPL Performance Measures and Vice Chair Pam Ross seconded the motion with one abstained by Jim Kooistra on behalf of GCWP Milt Ericksen. Motion adopted and approved.

V. **Approval to extend the ARRA 10% set-aside System Building Fund Grant deadline date to July 30, 2009.**

Rosalyn Boxer, Department of Commerce, is requesting that the ARRA Systems Building Funds which are the grants that goes out to the different directing county WIA areas for develop of programs. The Systems Building fund has a one-time allotment for 2.2 million that has come into the state for that purpose. Those 2.2 million only have one year life span ending June 2011. We are asking is to have an extension of the timeframe that had been originally asked for all the proposals to come in to be judged by a committee because there has not being enough time from when the guidelines were first adopted to reach out to the different county areas and to have the areas put their proposals in. GCWP member Hank Atha motion to approve to extend the ARRA 10% set-aside System Building Fund Grant deadline date to July 30, 2009 and Vice Chair Pam Ross seconded the motion. Motion is adopted and approved.

VI. **Approval to give the Scoring Committee the authority to award grants from the ARRA 10% set-aside System Building Fund.**

Rosalyn Boxer, Department of Commerce, is asking for the Scoring Committee comprised of five people (1 from business, council, local area person not applying for these dollars, DES, ADE, and Commerce) that are involved to award grants from the ARRA 10% set-aside System Building Fund. We are asking to give the local areas an opportunity to review the grants after July 30, 2009 to make the rewards by August 15, 2009. GCWP member Gary Marks motion to approve to give the Scoring Committee the authority to award grants from the ARRA 10% set-aside System Building Fund and GCWP member David Martin seconded the motion. Motion is adopted and approved with 1 no vote by GCWP member Peggy Belknap.

VII. **Approve-Regular WIA Formula Funding Allocation**

Mark Darmer, Department of Economic Security, briefly overviewed the Council the chart included in the meeting packet regarding the 5 options produced for allocations of the 85% local areas funds. The Arizona Association of the Workforce Developers is a group comprised of local areas directors and on June 8, 2009 DES met with this group to go over the allocations. The shaded areas on the chart represent the options that are suggested for the Council to adopt.

a. **Dislocated Worker Funding Allocations**

GCWP member Peggy Belknap motion to approve Option #1 regular WIA formula Funding Allocation recommendations by local area directors and GCWP member Dick White seconded the motion. Motion adopted and approved.

b. **Adult Funding Allocations**

GCWP member David Martin motion to approve Option #4 regular WIA formula Funding Allocation recommendation by local area directors and Vice Chair Pam Ross seconded the motion. Motion adopted and approved.

c. Youth Funding Allocations

GCWP member Donna Davis motion to approve Option #5 regular WIA formula Funding Allocations recommendation by local area directors and Vice Chair Pam Ross seconded the motion. Motion adopted and approve.

VIII. LWIA Business Outreach

Rosalyn Boxer, Department of Commerce, reported that Commerce has instituted a program reaching out to the local workforce areas and working with them on different projects to discuss business outreach and the development of their System Building grants. Commerce has visited with La Paz/Mohave, Cococino, Yavapai and Gila/Pinal counties. Commerce has piloted a program working with the one stop director in Casa Grande and working with a group of businesses. Commerce is moving forward with the Nineteen Tribal Nation Workforce Investment Board working with them to develop training.

IX. Create “Line-Item” in 10% set-aside funds for permanent Business Outreach funding for the LWIAs

Mark Darmer, DES, commented that the Business Outreach projects have been historically funded and it appears they will continue to be on-going projects for the local areas. To establish a regular process for the projects, it has been suggested for future funding to have a line-item in the set-aside allocations for the Business Outreach. DES suggest creating a line-item out of the set-aside for Business Outreach and keep in mind that allocating set-aside funds from PY09/FY10 grant will be started July 1, 2009.

X. Local Employment Dynamics (LED) Training

Cheri Levenson, Research Administration of Commerce, reported on the labor market information training for Council members on LED set of tools available on the workforce website www.workforce.az.gov, which includes quarterly workforce indicators, industry focus and “on the maps”. There is an opportunity to receive high-level training from the Census Bureau for Local Area Boards, Full Council and Agencies for “train the trainer” training on how to use the tools on the website. Ms. Levenson also reported the status for Arizona employment rate increase to 8.2% in May 2009 from 7.0% in April 2009. National employment rate increased to 9.4%.

XI. Statewide Collaborative Grant Proposal

John Morales reported on behalf of Patrick Burkhart, Director of Maricopa County Workforce Connection, on the competitive grant focusing on green jobs for energy. The local areas are looking at a statewide collaborative grant proposal for funding to move into alignment to merge the economic develop to attract jobs. A letter was received form Chair Lisa Lovallo of the Governor’s Workforce Council Policy endorsing this effort. Vice Chair Pam Ross commends this group for their tremendous effort in pursuing this proposal.

XII. ARRA Best Practices, Yuma

John Morales reported the Recovery Act is intended to preserve and create jobs, promote the nation’s economic recovery and assist those most impacted by the recession. Yuma County was awarded \$4.5 million for activities authorized under the Workforce Investment Act which will be administered by the Yuma Private Industry Council. The summary of activities is outlined in the pamphlets included in the Council’s meeting packet.

XIII. ARRA State Best Practices

Pat Harrington, Department of Economic Security, reported that Arizona is one the ARRA funds of 16 states that have been receiving special attention from the General Accounting Office and they have been very interesting in what Workforce is doing. One of the Best Practices DES is trying to implement is the making sure that every stimulus related job funds that come from Arizona is posted on the local one stop job corp.

XIV. GCWP Board Training Update

Vice Chair Pam Ross stated the Board Training scheduled for June 23 and June 26, 2009 has been canceled and the Board Training will be rescheduled later in the quarter.

XV. Call to Public

GCWP member Mary Vanis gave overview of her facilitating the statewide gathering of all the registered apprenticeship programs and the local workforce area board and staff with an attendance of over 100. Dr. Vanis

congratulated GCWP member Dennis Anthony who is also Chair of the Arizona Apprenticeship Advisory Committee Board and the intent of this conference was to get the workforce groups and the apprenticeship programs talking to each other. Dr. Vanis also congratulate Department of Commerce, Paula Burnam, Director of Apprenticeship, for the great job that was done and also the great job from the City of Phoenix Maricopa County.

XVI. Adjournment

Chair Lisa Lovallo adjourned the meeting at 4:22 p.m.