



Board Meeting
Friday, June 10, 2011 9am-12pm
KNBP Studios
1670 N. Virginia St. — Reno, NV

Minutes

1. Call to Order: Brad Woodring called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM
2. Board Member Introductions/Quorum Confirmation:
Nevadaworks Council Members Present: Danny Campos, Alan Darney, Ken Dugan, Jeff Griffin (proxy), David Meares, Jim Nelson, Vicki Newell, Nancy Rutherford, Michelle Sanchez-Bickley, Maria Sheehan, Greg Smith, Len Stevens, Kris Wells, Brad Woodring
Nevadaworks Council Members Absent: Shirley Chantrill, Cindy Jones, Tom Miller, Brian Moore, Tony Ramirez, Russ Romine, Tom White, Geoff Wilson

Local Elected Officials Present: Darin Bloyed, Denise Castle, Jim Essenpreis, Norm Frey, Vida Keller, Austin Osborne, Bonnie Weber
Local Elected Officials Absent: Dean Bullock, Richard Carney, Jim French, Mike Page, Warren Russell

Staff Present: Jonathan Begley, Linda Devon, Tom Fitzgerald, Nancy Corder, John Thurman, Beth Wicks

Guests Present: Donna Weidner, Ernest Rivera, Sue Frey, Jered McDonald, Cloyd Phillips, Chelle Robinson, Carolyn Wilson, Lucina Lewis, Michael Pennington, Bruce Atkinson, Connie Williams, Lynda Parven, Kelly Karch

A quorum of the Nevadaworks Council and the Local Elected Officials was determined present.
3. Public Comment: None
4. Nevadaworks Board February 11, 2011 Meeting Minutes Approval: There were no corrections or additions to the minutes, *Motion to approve was made by Bonnie Weber with the second by David Meares. The motion was unanimously approved.*
5. LEO Report on New Board Member appointments/reappointments:
Norm Frey introduced Ernie Rivera as the newly appointed Council member representing business and gave a brief history of his background.

6. Presentations/Possible Action

A. Nevadaworks Program Updates:

Tom Fitzgerald introduced the Rural Liaisons: Donna Weidner (Hwy 50 area), Chelle Robinson (180 area) and Lucina Lewis (Eastern Nevada area). Each gave an update on the progress being made in their individual territories and the contacts they have made with organizations and individuals. There was a short question and answer period. *Brad Woodring then made a motion for continued funding in the new budget for the Rural Liaisons. The motion was seconded by Denise Castle and was unanimously approved.*

Gail Conkey reported on the Workforce Conference she attended and also gave an update on the progress of the website NevadaEmployerhelp.com and the variety of resources it offers to employers. *This is a budget item and Brad Woodring made a motion to continue this service in the new budget. The second was made by Jim Nelson and was unanimously approved.*

John Thurman and Brad Woodring gave an update on the SESP Grant Requests for Proposals and the program itself. Contracts are pending with three contractors who met the criteria of the SESP. There was discussion about the program. *Brad Woodring made the formal SESP motion: That we authorize the Nevadaworks staff on behalf of the Board to negotiate and sign contracts with providers to start as early as today in accordance with the funding limitations and the priority list (1 Nevada Industry Excellence, 2 Northern Nevada Electrical Joint Apprenticeship and Training, 3 Builders Association of Northern Nevada, with a wait list of 4 Nevada Chapter of Associated General Contractors, 5 Sierra College and Envirolutions) for State Energy Sector Partnership Grant provided them on January 3, 2011. The motion was seconded by Darin Bloyed and was unanimously approved. Alan Darney abstained from the vote.*

Jonathan Begley gave an update on the It'sAboutJobs.com and the resources this website now has for both the employer and the jobseeker. The next focus will be the rural areas for the next few months. *Brad Woodring made the motion to approve the funding for It'sAboutJobs.com in the new budget. Nancy Rutherford seconded the motion and was unanimously approved.*

B. Nevadaworks Program Year 2011 Local Plan: Tom Fitzgerald gave an update on the local plan for the upcoming year. The On the Job Training program was explained and the importance of this program. The Layoff Aversion was also explained and how this will aid local employers. The four key industry sectors of the Local Plan are: Manufacturing and Mining, Health Care, Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency, and the Leisure, Hospitality and Retail Trade. There was discussion about the Plan. Brad Woodring made a motion to accept the Plan and Vicki Newell seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

John Thurman discussed the Sector RFP (Request For Proposals) and the upcoming Technical Assistance meeting that explains the application process for the Requests. He explained how and why a proposal is accepted and Tom Fitzgerald further explained the emphasis areas and plans for upcoming proposals. *Brad Woodring made the motion to accept the Sector RFP as stated. Danny Campos seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.*

C. Nevadaworks Program Year 2011 Budget:

Kris Wells reported on the March 29 and May 24 Audit Workgroup meetings and the need for more members on this Workgroup. Norm Frey, Maria Sheehan and Austin Osborne volunteered to join the Workgroup.

Tom Fitzgerald discussed the operating budget including the revenues, projected expenses and carry forward funds. Questions were answered by Beth Wicks and Tom Fitzgerald. *Brad Woodring made the motion to accept the budget as proposed. Maria Sheehan seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.*

D. DETR Economic Update: Jered McDonald of DETR presented an economic overview of the economic status of the state and counties including unemployment rates, industry jobs, the labor force and what job markets are likely to expand.

E. Silver State Works Update: Lynda Parven of DETR gave an update on the Silver State Works project which is an employer incentive program to help unemployed persons find work. The program is funded through DETR for the next two years. The program covers northern and southern Nevada.

F. DETR Director Update: Kelly Karch from DETR spoke on behalf of Director Larry Mosley regarding audits of the WIA programs. He read the detailed, legal process of how and why the audits are performed on an annual basis. There were questions and discussion about the future of workforce development in the state.

7. Brad Woodring announced the next meeting would be October 14, 2011 at the KNBP studios. He then declared the meeting was adjourned at 12pm.