

Board Meeting
Friday, March 12, 2010
Northern Nevada Electrical Training Center
Minutes

1. Call to Order: Geoff Wilson called the meeting to order at 9:05 A.M.
2. Board Member Introductions/Quorum Confirmation

Nevadaworks Council Members Present: Alan Darney, Shirley Chantrill, Ardell Galbreth, Jeff Griffin, Al Kramer, John Larsen, Brian Moore, Jim Nelson, Vicki Newell, Tony Ramirez, Nancy Rutherford, Michelle Sanchez-Bickley Marcel Schaerer, Kris Wells, Geoff Wilson, Brad Woodring.

Nevadaworks Council Members Absent: Richard Bell, Nate Clark, Ken Dugan, Aki Korhonen, Russ Romaine, Maria Sheehan, Greg Smith, Len Stevens, Tom White.

Local Elected Officials Present: Darin Bloyed, Phyllis Hunewill, Austin Osborne for Bob Kershaw, Al Kramer, Mike Page, Warren Russell, Chris Schmidt, Gwen Washburn, John Berkich for Bonnie Weber.

Local Elected Officials Absent: Richard Carney, Dan Cassinelli, Michael Olson, Jerrie Tipton.

Staff Present: Jonathan Begley, Nancy Corder, Lynda Crawford, Claudia Crawford-Smith, Linda Devon, Tom Fitzgerald, Sherri Lindloff, Lisa Myers, John Thurman, Beth Wicks.

Guests Present: Bill Anderson, Gail Conkey, Lisa Woods, Pieter Droog, Johanna Downey, Jeremy Stocking, Chris Jones, Brennon Britton, Joseph Berndickt, Chelsea Speranza.

A quorum of the Nevadaworks Council and the Local Elected Officials was determined present.

3. Public Comment: None
4. Nevadaworks Board December 11, 2009 Meeting Minutes Approval: No corrections were noted. *Ardell Galbreth made a motion to approve the minutes and Vicki Newell seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.*
5. Presentations/Possible Action

A. CEO Update: Tom Fitzgerald gave an overview of the processes involved in obtaining Board members and the qualifications needed to be on the Nevadaworks Board. The Nevadaworks staff is involved in the educational community and The Committee for Excellence in Education which was one of the relationships that the Workforce Survey addressed as a need. The budget for the next fiscal year will be discussed at the next board meeting. At this time the budget figures are only tentative.

- B. Executive Committee and Audit Workgroup Updates: The Executive Committee approved a modification to the JOIN Pronet contract to obligate additional ARRA funds. The Audit Workgroup has met and approved the audit. It was then sent to the board members and was approved by the members. The audit committee also met with our audit firm, Muckel Anderson CPA's. They are one of the few firms qualified to perform a government audit in the Reno area. Geoff Wilson announced that Gail Conkey has resigned from the Executive Committee and the Board and that he appointed Greg Smith to the Executive Committee in her place. Nevadaworks has entered into a contract with her consulting business, Conkey Consulting. She gave an overview of the goals and strategies included in her contract. She will give a progress report to the Board at each future board meeting.
 - C. Presentation by DETR: Geoff Wilson introduced Bill Anderson, an economist, from DETR. He gave a presentation that covered the economy in northern Nevada.
 - D. Workforce Action Team Update: Jonathan Begley gave a presentation of the Nevadaworks website and explained how it is best used by job seekers and employers. He showed the "Its About Jobs" media spot that will be on the local TV channels. There are also radio promos that will air on local radio stations several times a day. This will happen over the next six months.
 - E. Presentation by Children's Cabinet: Jeremy Stocking, from the Children's Cabinet, introduced Chris Young and he introduced three young people who were currently working through the Cabinet and learning how to start and manage a business. Nevadaworks is funding this program through the Governor's Reserve funding.
 - F. Presentation by ProNet: Pieter Droog, the branch manager of ProNet, explained the purpose of ProNet and the clientele that it serves. Two members of ProNet gave their personal accounts of how the organization has helped them.
6. Next Meeting Date and Location: The next meeting will be on Friday, June 11, 2010 at 9am with the location to be announced. There was a discussion of changing the number of board meetings from four to three a year. Geoff Wilson and Tom Fitzgerald brought up various points about the change. Tom recommended that we go back to three meetings a year. *Motion was made by Kris Wells to change the meetings to three a year and was seconded by Jim Nelson. The motion was unanimously approved.*
7. Adjournment: *Motion was made by Al Kramer to adjourn the meeting at 12 pm and was seconded by Jim Nelson. The motion was unanimously approved.*