

**MARICOPA WORKFORCE CONNECTIONS
FULL BOARD MEETING
Maricopa County Human Services Department
1840 North 95th Avenue, Suite 160
Phoenix, Arizona 85037
Minutes
June 25, 2009**

1. Call to Order

Chair John Garza called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

2. Roll Call : Quorum

Present:	Absent/Excused:	Staff Present:
Tony Abraham	Adda Alexander	Patrick Burkhart
Neil Alexander	Dori Beattie	Terry Farrell
Jeff Freeman	Vania Black	Tina Schoville
John Garza	Richard Burrell	Kevin Berry
Danny Guido	Ben Candler	Dawn Zimmer
Kayong Holston(T)	Che Collins	Derrick Martin
Katharine Levandowsky	Rebecca Flanagan	Tony Porter
Blair Liddicoat	Trish Georgeff	Arleen Schenck
Gabe Layola	Belinda Hanson	Joanna Abbott
Tony Maldonado	Tina Huff	Diana Shepherd
Kelsie McClendon(T)	Joel Millman	Trina Jenkins
Rod Miller	Jim Ponte	Bill O'Brien
Bob Neckes(T)	Steve Prokopek	
Karen Poole	Marie Sullivan	Guests
Don Smith	Mike Wall	Jennifer Kaufman
Greta Suda	Brady Young	Judy Blanchard
Karen Thorne		Melanie Benitez
Chevera Trillo		Ben Serio
Nancy Welch		Lisa Marra
Dean Wine		Rodney Pack
		Karissa Bonkrude

3. Approval of minutes—Action Item

Danny Guido made a motion to approve the minutes of April 23, 2009. Don Smith seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

4. Chairman's Report—For Information Only

Chair John Garza shared with the group the accomplishments and actions taken by MWC during the 2008-2009 year.

- Initiation of Task Force Model of Board participation.
- Partnership with AzMEP for process improvements.
- Regional partnership with PWC
 - Joint ION publication
 - New Access Points program
 - Promotion of Apprenticeship programs
 - Statewide leadership of ARRA competitive proposal
- ARRA Implementation

5. Nominating Committee Report—Action Item

Neil Alexander shared that the MWC Board must be comprised of 17 public sector members and a majority of private sector members. We have had several Board members whose terms expired so we have been working towards having their seats filled to comply. The members whose terms have expired or they have resigned from our Board are as follows: Dori Beattie, Vania Black, Rebecca Flanagan, John Garza, Joel Millman, Jim Ponte, Pam Ross, Mike Wall and Brady Young. The members that will be renewing their terms are as follows: Adda

Alexander, Neil Alexander, Trish Georgeff, Tina Huff, Tony Maldonado, Karen Poole, Marie Sullivan, Karen Thorne, Chevera Trillo and Nancy Welch. The new Board members are as follows: Judy Blanchard – APS, Karissa Bondruke – Area Agency on Aging, Barbara Gallegos – US Department HUD, Dillon Holmes – Gambrio Energy, Lisa Marra – Assoc. General Contractors, Rick McCartney – Media Publishers Group, Velecia McMillan – City of Scottsdale, Rodney Pack – Arizona Pipe Trades and Benjamin Serio – Amazon.com. The new Full Board Officers are comprised of the following; Neil Alexander, MWC Chair and Roderick Miller, MWC Chair Elect. The MWC Vice Chair position is still to be determined. Regarding the Youth Council, the following changes to Board members are as follows; Term expirations consist of Mike Wall, who has resigned from this Council; and terms renewals are as follows; Che Collins, Julia Estrada, Randy Kimmens and Tony Maldonado. The Vice Chair for this council will be Tony Maldonado.

Neil Alexander made a motion to accept the nominations of the new Board members, the renewals of current Board members, the new Officers of the Full Board and the renewals, terminations and the Vice Chair nomination of the Youth Council. Gabe Layola seconded the motion. The motion carried.

6. Maricopa Community College District report—*For Information Only*

Karen Poole reported that the Maricopa County Community College district is made up of 10 Community Colleges that are separately credited, two Skill Centers and that the MC Community College district serves over 270,000 students every year. With what is going on right now MCCCCD expects to see a huge increase in enrollment. MCCCCD is gearing up programs to make sure they respond to business/industries need. Students need to be prepared with the skill sets and transferable skills that can work together for the future of Arizona. Their new website features 13 of the clusters that the City, County, One Stops and GPEC have identified as the sectors of interest and fit in with the previous Governors 13 industries of opportunity. They have recently developed a website to assist customers with information regarding possible career choices, training requirements and possible job markets for these industries.

7. Assistant Director Report—*Action Item*

Patrick reported that we need to give authorization the Executive Board to meet on June 30th for a conditional approval subject to public comment of the Modified Two Year Plan to incorporate the implementation of the ARRA funding. Once the Executive Board gives the approval, we will submit this plan to the Board of Supervisors who meet on July 22nd for their approval. Upon approval of the BOS, we need to submit the finalized plan to the State by July 31st.

Danny Guido made a motion to give a conditional approval for MWC Two Year Plan Amendment pending public comment and to authorize the Executive Committee to meet on June 30th for formal approval. Tony Maldonado seconded the motion. The motion carried.

8. Assistant Director Report – *For Information Only*

Trina Jenkins and Tony Porter presented information regarding the SHARE Network Access Points program. This program will assist customers with services that are not able to get to the One Stops. The return on investment for this program is that the access points will be located in community-orientated organizations with strong bonds tied to the neighborhood will reduce transportation barriers, crime rate and unemployment rate and will produce a qualified workforce through training and educational opportunities. Services available at these Access Points include on-line assessments, resume development, job search, learn about workshops, on-site recruitment information, referrals to One-Stops and support services. Several Access Points places will be opened in July and additional locations should be available by October. Presently we are trying to secure funding for this program, to expand to rural areas, to reach the homeless population, to reach non-traditional religious entities, to offer priority services to Veterans, to make available the DES Job Service referral process and to offer workshops. Between 2004 and 2008, Access Points across the nation helped 37,700 hard to serve individuals and helped place 15,376 in jobs. There are currently 150 Access Points in 50 workforce areas and there are an estimated 50 more Access Points preparing to open nationwide.

9. Call to the Public

There were no comments from the public.

10. Adjournment

Chair Garza adjourned the meeting at 11:03 a.m.