

MARICOPA WORKFORCE CONNECTIONS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Maricopa County Security Building
234 North Central, 3rd Floor, Phoenix, Arizona 85004
Minutes
December 15, 2010

I. Call to Order

Chair Neil Alexander called the meeting to order at 2:33 p.m.

II. Roll Call: Quorum

Present: Patrick Burkhart, Neil Alexander (T), Tony Maldonado (T), Rick McCartney (T)

Excused/Absent: Ben Serio

Staff/Guests: Kristen Merser

III. Approval of Minutes—Action Item

Tony Maldonado made a motion to approve the minutes from October 27th. Rick McCartney seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

IV. Assistant Director's Report – Possible Action Items

• ***Appointment of Two Year Plan Task Force***

Patrick announced the volunteers for the new Two Year Plan Task Force: Kathryn 'Che' Collins, Shawn Hutchinson, Randy Kimmens (Youth Council), Tony Maldonado, Kelsie McClendon, and Paul Sanders. Patrick moved that the Executive Committee accept the nominations of the task force. Tony was assured that his participation in approval of the nominations would not be a conflict of interest because he does not benefit financially. Rick made a motion to approve the nominations; Neil seconded; motion approved.

• ***Update on Board Member Recruitment***

Patrick received confirmation from Mesa that they will designate an economic development representative to serve on the Board. He has not heard back from WESTMARC or GPEC regarding the second representative. The Youth Council still needs public housing, WIA parent and WIA youth representatives. Che Collins may be nominating a WIA parent for the Board.

Two Board resignations: ***Nancy Welch*** has scheduling conflicts with her new position at the Flinn Foundation. Patrick said he really valued her strong participation and process improvement efforts on the Board. ***Jeff Freeman*** from Honeywell is taking a position in DC. He has only participated a few times. Honeywell is very interested in having a representative on the Board. Patrick moved the Executive Committee to accept the Board resignations; Tony seconded; motion carried.

Rick will talk to [Georgette Proestakis](#) about joining the Board. She is an HR executive from [Pinnacle Education](#), a national education organization based in Phoenix. She is very familiar with HR law and has been an incredible resource. Rick will contact her to gauge interest and then forward her information to Patrick.

• ***MWC Board Meeting Preview***

Patrick previewed the December 16th Full Board agenda and PowerPoint presentation. Topics include a report on the Advocacy Task Force, Youth Council, a presentation by Kim Faust now with PWC, and other issues.

Rick noted a recent event and expressed concern about security at the Board meetings. Patrick has asked the team at both centers to review safety precautions and procedures. Both centers have an armed security presence, but Patrick said he will look into it further considering that present circumstances may cause some individuals to act out. The group discussed that if security concerns increase they may reconsider meeting places.

The Advocacy Task Force is discussing having content-oriented business recognition events. Neil accepted Patrick's request to partner with MWC for a March event.

V. Call to the Public

No public present at the meeting

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:53 p.m.