



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the **Maricopa Workforce Connections Executive Committee** and to the general public, that the **Maricopa Workforce Connections Executive Committee** will hold a meeting open to the public **February 26, 2009, at 8:30 a.m. at The Security Building, 234 North Central, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, WDD Conference Room, Phoenix, AZ 85004.**

**To attend via conference call, please dial 877-492-4020/6024743612.**

**AGENDA**

1.	<b>Call to order</b>	John Garza, Chair
2.	<b>Roll call</b>	Tina Schoville, Executive/Operations Specialist
3.	<b>Approval of minutes—<i>Action</i></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ January 22, 2009</li> </ul>	
4.	<b>Assistant Director’s Report—<i>For information only</i></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Economic Stimulus Bill</li> <li>▪ Trip to Washington D.C. – NASWA Meeting</li> <li>▪ Nomination – Jeff Freeman</li> </ul>	Patrick Burkhart, WDD Assistant Director
5.	<b>Call to the public</b>	John Garza, Chair
6.	<b>Adjournment</b>	

**The next Executive Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 26, 2009.**

“The public must be allowed to attend and listen to deliberations and proceedings taking place in all public meetings, A.R.S. § 38-431.01(A); however, the Open Meeting Law does not establish a right for the public to participate in the discussion or in the ultimate decision of the public body.”

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 A sign language interpreter, alternative format materials, or infrared assistive listening devices will be made available within 72 hours notice. Additional reasonable accommodations will be made available to the extent possible within the time frame of the request. One or more board members may participate via teleconference. Agenda items may be taken out of order.

**MARICOPA WORKFORCE CONNECTIONS  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
Maricopa County Security Building  
234 North Central, Ste 3201  
Phoenix, Arizona 85004  
Minutes  
January 22, 2009**

**I. Call to Order**

Chair John Garza called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

**II. Roll Call: Quorum**

<b>Present</b>	<b>Excused/Absent</b>	<b>Staff/Guests</b>
John Garza	Rodrick Miller	Patrick Burkhart
Don Smith (T)		Tina Schoville
Neil Alexander(T)		

**III. Approval of Minutes—Action**

**Neil Alexander made a motion to approve minutes from December 18, 2008. Don Smith seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.**

**IV. Assistant Director’s Report—For information only.**

- Economic Stimulus Bill  
Patrick Burkhart reported the both the House and Congress have come up with an Economic Recovery Bill where WIA will receive 4 billion dollars for employment services and WIA with a breakdown of 500 million dollars for Adult Services, 1 billion dollars for Dislocated Workers, 1.2 billion dollars for Youth totaling up to 2.7 billion dollars of formula funds. In addition to that, the bill calls for 750 million dollars of competitive grants in the areas of Health Care and Alternative Energy. The bill should go to the floor next week and reach the President in mid-February. The money set aside for this has a stipulation that 50% of the funds be expended in 12 months whereas the second half should be spend in 24 months, and this is a ‘use it or lose it’ policy. Some suggestions have come forth whereas DES will draft a template for the contract amendment for internal planning as how to spend the money for maximum benefits. There is a concern regarding the Youth portion, should the contract be re-done or should we re-bid to the providers. We are going to require more contract staff to help to be able to disburse the money appropriately.
- Trip to Washington D.C.  
Patrick reported that he would be attending the NASWA meetings with both John Garza and Neil Alexander because they seem to be the most informed about policies and funding. They will have more informative information available regarding the support to the stimulus and in keeping WIA funding. Patrick will also talk to Rod Miller to see if anyone from GPEC will be attending this conference and invite them to join our group in meeting the Representatives on the 18<sup>th</sup> of February.
- Status of Ad hoc Task Force Groups  
Patrick informed the group that there will be two new task force groups started and that invitations have been sent to multiple parties to join the new groups. One new group will be the Collaboration Task Force and the other is the Nominating Task Force which will be staffed with partners. Several people have responded to sit on these boards and their names will be given to the WDD staff leading the groups so that both the Chairs and Vice-Chairs nominations can be established.
- Senior Community Service Employment Program
  - Withdrawal from MWC Career Centers  
Joel Millman with the State Aging and Adult Services Department requested to pullout from the One-Stop centers due to funding issues. They are currently working with AARP to fill the void for services and have no more funds for space allocation at the Centers. We have invited him to still be involved in Board duties at this time.

**V. Call to the public**

No members from the public present.

**VI. Adjournment**

Chair Garza adjourned the meeting at 8:55 a.m.