Louisiana Workforce Investment Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 19, 2010
9:30 a.m.
Louisiana State Police Training Academy
7901 Independence Blvd
Baton Rouge, La 70806

Members of the Council Present:
Alden Andre
Art Favre
Curt Eysink
Edward Rispone
Elbert Guillory
Ginger Laurent
Jacqueline Beauchamp
James Uridales
Jason Dedon
Jason El Koubi designee for Sec. Stephen Moret
John Young
Julie Cherry
Kathy Bobbs
Keith Brand
Ruth Johnson

Tobie Craig designee for Charles Moniotte
Whalen Gibbs designee for Sec. Jimmy Leblanc
Mike Mitternight
Mike Palamone
Louis Reine
Katrina Thomas
Patricia Smith

*Jorge Tarajano

Members of the Council Absent:
Terry Baugh
Camille Conaway
Hilda Curry
Janet Durden
Richard Gremillion
Rep. Cameron Henry
Dr. Joe May
Keith Myers
Richard Noles
Thomas O’Neal
Paul Pastorek
Sen. Neil Riser

Craig Roussel
Buck Vandersteen
Ronald Williams

Guests in Attendance:
Cynthia Douglas
Dee Bolden
Stacie Williams
Glenn Dugas
Rob Roux
Elaine Morace

Raj Jindal
Pattie Granier
Rosalyn Cousin
Lauren Rispone
Michael Garvey
Melissa Kirsch

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Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order by Chairman Edward Rispone.

Comments From The Chair:
Chairman Edward Rispone introduced Claudeidra Minor to the WIC members. Claudeidra then gave the members her background information and introduced Aieta Davis, as Secretary to the Council.

Approval of Minutes:
Corrections to the minutes were discussed and a motion was called to amend the minutes to reflect that the motion to approve the IBC, made by Art Favre did not pass and to accept those changes. That motion was second and the minutes were approved.

Briefing on the Workforce Investment Council Meeting Procedures:
Claudeidra Minor briefed the council on the meeting procedures. The meetings of the Council shall be convened in accordance with the Louisiana’s Open Meetings Law and other applicable laws. The other matters which were discussed were WIC Meeting Provisions, WIC Quorum and Voting Provisions, Minutes/Recordings, Notice Requirements and Executive Sessions. The issue of absenteeism was also discussed and the procedure to handle repeat offenders. It was agreed that an attendance record would be kept and presented at the next WIC council meeting.

Discussion of Proposed 2011-2012 WIC Operations Structure:
Claudeidra briefed the council on the organizational structure as it is now. This is the first proposal as it was discussed by the council. The executive committee discussed streamlining and re-evaluating the number of committees and whether or not they could effectively carry out the business of the council with so many committees. At that time the proposed organizational chart was introduced to the council and presented to them for their review and discussion. A motion was made to amend the org chart. That motion passed by unanimous vote. A second motion was made to adopt the proposed organizational structure with the taskforce/adhoc committee added under the Executive Committee and the title changed to “Operational” Structure. The motion carried.

Status of Accountability and Performance Measures
A power point presentation was done regarding the accountability and performance measures. The council discussed each measure that has been proposed or gathered by council members. Eric Hatfield with the Office of Workforce Development was also present to give further information on the measures and how they're captured. Each member was asked to review the measures and send any changes or suggestions they had to Claudeidra/Aieta.

Update on Occupational forecasting Conference
Claudeidra updated members on the new law that changes members working for the Black Economic Development Council to the La. Minority Support Development Council. Raj Jindal, gave an update on the OFC. The occupational forecast has been approved for the next five years. She also updated members on the methodology and how they develop the forecast. It is updated every 2 years. The council then approves the
forecast and it becomes the occupational forecast for Louisiana. It is updated by different industries to keep it current. The Forecast is an art/sciences process that starts with the historical employment data from 20-25 years and uses those staffing patterns to create the forecast.

Other Business
Nucor is a new corporation coming to Baton Rouge and the Chairman wants to invite them to the next WIC meeting to give them an overview of the workforce development history and encourage them to utilize Louisiana companies not only for their supplies but also for training purposes. All agreed with that decision.

The Meeting was adjourned

*Correction made to previous minutes. Jorge Tarajano was present for the meeting.*