Louisiana Workforce Investment Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 28, 2012, 9:30 a.m.
Louisiana State Police Training Academy
7901 Independence Blvd
Baton Rouge, La 70806

Members of the Council Present:
Art Favre
Chairman, Charles Moniotte
Ray Barker, Designee for Craig Roussell
Exec. Director Curt Eysink
Eddie Rispone
Hilda Curry
Jacqueline Beauchamp
Jim Urdiales
Whalen Gibbs, Designee for Sec. James Leblanc
Michelle Robinson, Designee for Janet Durden
Jason Dedon
Jim Urdiales
Lisa Vosper, Designee for Comm Jim Purcell
Jerry Ryan, Designee for Dr. Joe May
Darryl Ward, Designee for John Young
Joe Salter, Designee for Supt. John White
Jorge Tarajano
Julie Cherry
Karen Zoeller, Designee for Kathy Bobbs
Katrina Thomas
Keith Brand
Louis Reine
Michael Miternight
Michael Palamone
Rep. Patricia Haynes Smith
Russell Armstrong
Myron Berzas, Designee for Sec. Ruth Johnson
Susan Schowen, Designee for Sec. Stephen Moret
Terry Baugh
Thomas Mitchiner O’Neal

Members of the Council Absent:
Alden Andre
Rep. Cameron Henry
Charles Vandersteen
Senator Elbert Guillory
Jennifer Boggs
Keith Myers
Ronald Williams

Guests in Attendance
Sachin Chintawar, LWC
Jacques Lasseigne, LWC
Glenn Dugas, Laf, WIB
Sondra Redmon, WIB60
Tina Johnstone, LWIA #41
Gloria Abels, LWIA 20
Paul Theriot, LDOE
Rachel Babineaux, WIB 40
Rob Roux, LWC
Courtney Breaux, LWIA41
Terri Mitchell, LWIA 83
Jacques Lasseigne, LWC
Cynthia Douglas, LWIA 21
Debbie O’Connor, LWIA 21
Brenda Hubbard, WIB 40
Jeff Lynn, LED

I. Comments from the Chair
Chairman Charles Moniotte addressed the Council and spoke of his meeting with Dr. Stephen Barnes.
II. Approval of Minutes
A motion was made to accept the minutes from the October 2011 meeting. The motion was accepted and seconded.

III. Consideration and Approval of Industry Based Certification Applications
Dr. Paul Theriot, Department of Education, gave an overview of three (3) Industry-Based Certifications Applications for review and approval by the WIC Committee. The applications were approved by the Workforce Investment Council:

a. **Submitting Organization:** Caddo Parish Schools/Caddo Career & Technology Center  
   **IBC Title:** Safety and Pollution Prevention (SP2)

b. **Submitting Organization:** J. Schneider & Associates, LTD  
   **IBC Title:** Introduction to Oil & Gas Production (T2)

c. **Submitting Organization:** Louisiana Restaurant Association  
   **IBC Title:** ServSafe

IV. Nomination of Members for Occupational Forecasting Conference Committee
Mr. Edward Risponse nominated the WIC Chairman, Mr. Charles Moniotte, to serve as the chairman of the Occupational Forecasting Conference Committee. All were in favor. None were opposed.

V. Report on Accountability and Performance Measures
Claudeidra Minor addressed the Council with regard to the interim report titled “Accountability and Performance Measures Report” and stated that this is for the members’ consideration, review and study. This is in connection with public schools and colleges. The report reflects the outcomes for the metrics that were developed by the interagency workgroup and the Executive Committee. These metrics were presented to the WIC and these are the outcomes that relate to the metrics. The metrics were also matched to the strategic goals. The WIC will be provided with a comprehensive report next month which will provide additional information such as benchmark objectives from the strategic plan that will address the graduation rates for the institutions in the state.

VI. Video Presentation of Business and Career Solutions Center
Mr. Glenn Dugas, of the Lafayette Business and Career Solutions Center, gave an introduction to his center and the video tour that members were about to view. He explained that most of the centers were not as large as the Lafayette center and that the integrated service delivery model was implemented differently in all of the centers depending on the number of staff members. Many of the One-Stops are much smaller than Lafayette with only 2-3 staff members so they have to wear many hats. Several WIB directors were on hand and spoke of how they implement the integrated service delivery model. Brenda Hubbard stated that their area encompasses 7 parishes and more than 75,000 people come through their doors so the delivery is more self-service oriented. Sondra Redmon explained that they do group activities in order to serve more people where they focus on job readiness and job searches.

Mr. Dugas showed a condensed five-minute version of the video tour and provided the following link for members to view the full 29 minute version on Youtube:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wnSsuQwhOoQ

VII. Other Business
A. **WIC Attendance Report**
   Ms. Minor reminded members of the new removal procedure that was adopted in May. Since it did not take effect until May, no members were in violation of the policy.

B. **Annual Report**
   Ms. Minor informed members that the Annual report had been submitted to the Governor’s office. She reminded them that they received an electronic copy of the annual report and that it would also be posted on the WIC website.
C. **Strategic Plan**
Ms. Minor informed members that the Executive Committee will discuss updates to the Strategic Plan at the March meeting.

D. **Ethics Training**
Mr. Rob Roux addressed the Council concerning new Ethics training policies. He stated that he attended the NWIA conference several years ago and although there is a perception that Louisiana is at the bottom of the list in ethics, they found that Louisiana’s ethics’ standards are very high and we are actually near the top. Others were shocked at the number of ethics requirements that Louisiana has. Mr. Roux informed members that the Legislature has passed new requirements for public servants which they are considered as members of the Council. Beginning this year, each member will be required to undergo ethics training either online or in person. This must be completed by the end of the year when a report will be generated for the Ethics Administration. The training is a one-hour training broken up into three 20 minute segments with a quiz at the end of each segment. If a public servant has not completed the ethics training by December 31st, a certified letter reminder will be mailed informing that they will have 30 days to complete the training. If after the thirty days, a public servant has still not completed the training, there will be sanctions implemented. The Legislature passed some laws regarding ethics in 2007 and began requiring elected officials to undergo this training in 2008. The Legislature began requiring lobbyists to complete the training annually in 2010. WIBs and all designees are considered public servants and will also be required to complete this training.

VIII. **Public Comments**
Dr. Lisa Vosper invited members and designees to attend an adult learner summit being held at Pennington Biomedical Center on Thursday, March 1, 2012 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Adjournment