

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT SAN FRANCISCO

Local Workforce Investment Board for the City and County of San Francisco

MINUTES OF THE
DECEMBER 9, 2009 MEETING OF THE
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT SAN FRANCISCO (WISF) BOARD
HOTEL WHITCOMB
1231 MARKET STREET, SAN FRANCISCO CA 94102

Members Present

Rob Black, Interim Chair	Paul Giusti, NorCal Waste
Celeste Alleyne, Microsoft	Reuben Santana, Rubecon Construction
Debra Johnson, SFMTA	Rodrigo Santos, Santos Urrutia Structural Engineering
Diane Easterwood, Kaiser Permanente	Ross Mirkarimi, San Francisco Board of Supervisors
Dr. Don Q. Griffin, City College of San Francisco	Alice Guidry for Sophie Maxwell, San Francisco Board of Supervisors
Egon Terplan, SPUR	Jimi Harris for Steve Leder, PG&E
Henry Alvarez III, San Francisco Housing Authority	Ted Egan, San Francisco Office of Economic Analysis
John McKnight, LVI Environmental Services	Tom Ryan, San Francisco Labor Council
Mary Ruth Gross, SEIU UHW-West & Joint Employer Education Fund	Trent Rhorer, Human Services Agency
Michael Wald, Stanford University	
Micki Callahan, Department of Human Resources	
Nicholas de Lorenzo, National Council on Aging	

Members Absent

Ann Wegher, Employment Development Division	Jennifer Hermann, UCSF
Barbara Garcia, San Francisco Department of Public Health	Kent Lim, Kent Lim Construction
Carlos Garcia, San Francisco Unified School District	Michael Dunne, Hilton Hotels
Darlene Rutkowski, Department of Rehabilitation	Michael Theriault, San Francisco Building and Trades Council
Debra Higa, Palace Hotel	Rito Andujo, Macy's West
	Sheila O'Mahoney, UPS
	Sylvia Kwan, Kwan Henmi

OEWD Staff

Rhonda Simmons, Director, Workforce Development	Ken Nim, CityBuild Contract Compliance Officer
Amy Wallace, Workforce Development Division Deputy Director	Kriztina Palone, Business Services Specialist
Dexter Ligot-Gordon, Workforce Policy Analyst	Marc Majors, WIA Program Manager
Glenn Eagleson, Director, Policy and Planning	Monique Forster, Administrative Assistant
Guillermo Rodriguez, Director, CityBuild	Nikki Ford, Administrative Assistant
	Steven Currie, Workforce Policy Analyst
	Virginia Ho, Executive Administrator

Public

(As Evidenced by the Sign-In Sheet)

Jorge Villalobos, EDD-LMID	Jodi Schwartz, LYRIC
Ruth Kavanaugh, EDD-LMID	Phyllis McGuire, CCSF
Arti Sharma, Juma Ventures	Terri Feeley
Kymerly Hill, Glide	Karen Gruneisen, Episcopal Community Service
Carrie Portis, SF Works	Andrew Russo, SF Family Support Network
Stephen Fraga, Academy X	Garry Grady, Glide Memorial Church
Monica Kohles, SF Labor Council	Troy Henry, Goodwill
Abby Snay, JVS	Michael Klinger, SF Reentry Council
Nancy Ryad, LEN Institute	Homer Teng, Chinatown Families Economic Self-Sufficiency Coalition
Lesley Paige, Academy X	Gary Tom, CCSF
Mike Wetzell, JVS	
Joe Ramirez-Forcier, PRC	
Amanda Gerrie, Pathway	

Roll Call

Rob Black, Interim Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:13am. He welcomed those in attendance and called for introductions from those present.

Mr. Rob Black noted that a quorum was not initially established, therefore, the board proceeded with discussion items on the agenda.

**Director's Report
(Discussion Item)**

Ms. Rhonda Simmons gave an update on the status of the Workforce Development system.

Mr. Ted Egan presented on leading economic indicators for San Francisco.

Discussion followed.

**Report on Obama Administration
Job Summit
(Discussion Item)**

Ms. Rhonda Simmons reported on the Obama Administration's proposed Jobs Bill; which may include tax breaks for small business, incentives for energy efficiency for homeowners, and the possible continuation funding for programs such as Jobs NOW!

Mr. Trent Rhorer gave an update on the Jobs NOW! Program.

Discussion followed.

**Report on Youth Funding
Opportunities
(Discussion Item)**

Mr. Michael Wald presented on the activities of the Youth Council and the upcoming RFP that OEWD will release in partnership with the Department of Children Youth and their Families in January, 2010.

Quorum was established at 9:59am; therefore, Mr. Black proceeded to carry the meeting starting with action items.

**Agenda
(Action Item)**

On motion by Ms. Micki Callahan, seconded and carried, the WISF Board adopted the agenda.

**Minutes
(Action Item)**

On motion by Ms. Micki Callahan, seconded and carried, the WISF Board approved the meeting minutes of the October 28, 2009.

**Action to Approve Framework
for RFP 108: Workforce Services
(Action Item)**

Ms. Rhonda Simmons presented on the framework of RFP #108 to be released on December 21, 2009; which will have a mix of Workforce Investment Act (WIA) funds for Dislocated Workers, One Stop Operations and Child Care Services, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for Workforce Services, and General Fund dollars.

Discussion followed.

Quorum was lost at 10:33am, therefore, Mr. Black moved agenda item #7 (Action to Approve Framework for RFP #108) to a discussion item.

**Committee Reports
(Discussion Item)**

Ms. Rhonda Simmons presented on the proposed committees which include committees outlined in the Bylaws of the WISF such as the Executive and Finance Committee, as well as, the Oversight Committee. In addition to these committees there are four ad-hoc committees based on the Sector Academies funded through RFP #107.

Public Comment

Mr. Rob Black's call for public comment yielded the following response:

Joe Ramirez-Forcier, PRC, commented on the loss of state funding for the Department of Public Health's programs for people with HIV.

Terri Feeley, commented in favor of the City developing a revolving tax credit to help businesses pay taxes and for residents to pay for education.

Jodi Schwartz, LYRIC; commented on her concern for the recommended strategies for youth workforce funding for the coming year.

Nancy Ryad, LEN Institute; commented in favor of taking academies into middle schools and

high schools.

Phyllis McGuire, CCSF commented on the need for conversation around GED and grade level when speaking of remediation. Ms. McGuire also commented on City College's grant to work with youth in Middle Schools on career exploration.

Conclusion

On motion by Mr. Rob Black the meeting was adjourned at 10:53am.