

Workforce Investment Board

Planning Committee

May 18, 2012 – 8:00 a.m.

Pima Community College – Downtown Campus (Stone Ave.)
Copper Room – 181
Tucson, AZ

MEETING SUMMARY

Members Present:

Gregg Johnson, Chair
Duane Bock
Beverly Price
Suzanne Lawder
Clayton Hamilton
Jean Maldonado
Mary Jondrow in behalf of Johnson Bia

Staff & Guests:

Elaine Babcock
Nils Urman
Lorraine Morales
Jim Mize
Charles Casey
Risé Hart

- I. **Call to Order** – at 8:03 a.m. Gregg Johnson chaired the meeting.
- II. **Review Meeting Summary** – Reviewed.
- III. **Biotech/Healthcare and Emerging Technologies/Renewable Energy Strategies** – Postponed until the next meeting. Staff will contact Lewis Humphreys to see if he has information about these sectors.
- IV. **Southern Arizona WIB Summit**
Suggestions:
 - Collaboration of the WIB Chairs from the other counties.
 - Organize a conference call with the WIB Chairs to discuss if a Southern Arizona Summit would be a benefit.
 - Sector strategies would be one of the items to discuss at the summit.
- V. **Pima County Local Workforce Investment Program Two Year Plan**
Charles Casey stated that the federal government is asking to extend the current plan through December 31, 2012. The state also suggested extending the plan unless there are major changes. Casey recommended extending it for one year (June 30, 2013) and changing the introduction to reflect the sectors.

The committee approved the Resolution to extend the Pima County Local Workforce Investment Plan through June 30, 2013. The Resolution will be an action item on the June WIB meeting agenda.

VI. Tucson Regional Economic Opportunities (TREO) memo to Chuck Huckelberry
Committee reviewed the memo.

Comments:

- Figure 3 “Multiplier Effects of Job Creation in Pima County” most valuable.
- Memo was well written and insightful.
- Duane Bock talked about the clean-energy, low-carbon economy issue.

VII. Discuss Implications of Aerospace Industry Trends for Pima County

The proposed Aerospace Corridor will be a benefit.

Challenges:

- Skilled labor needed (e.g. shortage of machinists).
- Companies allowing time off for their employees to go to college (e.g. Companies not taking advantage of the H1B grant for incumbent worker training for Production Management, IT, and Engineering).
- Hard to find teachers (e.g. Precision Metal Program)
- Only apprenticeship program left in Tucson is electrical.
- How to get more support from the business community.

VIII. Next Meeting: Thursday, June 14, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. at the Pima Community College – Downtown Campus

IX. Miscellaneous – Duane Bock was asked to be the interim Planning Committee – 1st Chair until the position is filled. Suggested finding someone from the Aerospace Industry to be the 1st Vice Chair. An action to elect the WIB Chair and 1st Vice Chair will be on the June 8 WIB meeting agenda.

X. Adjournment – 9:05 a.m.