Minutes Of The  
February 19, 2010  
Meeting Of The  
Workforce Investment Community Advisory Committee (WiCAC)  
City College Of San Francisco  
Administrative Offices  
33 Gough Street, Auditorium  
San Francisco, CA  94102

Members Present  
Jamie Brewster, Asian Neighborhood Design  
Jodi Schwartz, LYRIC  
Corrin Buchanan, The Women’s Building  
Lisa Stringer, ECS  
Krystal Koop, Goodwill of San Francisco  
Tracy Brown, DCYF  
Cameron McHenry, SHEC  
Rob Black, Interim Chair of the WISF

OEWD Staff  
Rhonda Simmons, Director, Workforce Development  
Amy Wallace, Workforce Development Division  
Deputy Director  
Glenn Eagleson, Director, Policy and Planning  
Dexter Ligot-Gordon, Workforce Policy Analyst  
Steven Currie, Workforce Policy Analyst  
Nikki Ford, Administrative Assistant  
Monique Forster, Administrative Assistant

Public  
James Cole, SFUSD-CTE  
Lupi Gutierrez, CCSF  
Dennis Marzon, Mission Hiring Hall  
Christine Galvez, Community Housing Partnership  
Arti Sharma, Juma Ventures  
Pam Hogan, Pam Hogan Productions  
Ali Schlageter, Local Homeless Coordinating Board  
Joe Ramirez-Forcier, PRC  
Beverly Mcclenda, YTEC  
R. Nibile, SF Labor Council  
Troy Henry, Goodwill of San Francisco  
D. Bach, LGBT Center  
Ramon Cruz, RAMS-Hire Ability  
Hasan Sinaga, RAMS-Hire Ability  
Carletta Jackson, Sojourner Truth Foster Family Service Agency  
Doug Smith, SFSD  
Rachel Antrobus, TAY-SF  
Peter Gerharz, LSYS

Roll Call  
The meeting was called to order at 9:17am.

Overview of Workforce Investment San Francisco  
Ms. Simmons commented on the structure of the Workforce Investment San Francisco (WISF) Board and how the Workforce Investment Community Advisory Committee (WiCAC) will advise the WISF on improving the workforce system as a whole and capacity building issue.

Overview of Strategic Plan  
Mr. Dexter Ligot-Gordon, presented on the Workforce Development Strategic Plan that was approved at the October 28, 2009 WISF meeting.  
Discussion followed.

Determination of Term Length  
Mr. Dexter Ligot-Gordon presented on the logistics of the structure of the WiCAC Board, including the election of a chair with the restrictions in the legislation being that the chair cannot currently receive workforce funding from any city department, neither as a staff or board member, nor for two years after their term.  
Discussion followed.

The WiCAC membership drew lots in order to determine length of membership from 1 to 2 years. The term length was determined as follows:  
Those serving two year terms are:

Krystal Koop  
Corrin Buchanan  
Cameron McHenry  
Jamie Brewster
Those serving a 1 year term are:

Lisa Stringer
Tracy Brown
Jodi Schwartz

Public Comment

The call for public comment yielded the following response:

Mr. David Bach, LGBT Center, commented on his concern about having the technology in place that was bid out in RFP #107 in place in order to place his clients in jobs.

Mr. Troy Henry, Goodwill of San Francisco, commented on the use of the Virtual One Stop system that was bid out in RFP #107 and is in the process of being developed by OEWD.

Mr. Joe Ramirez-Forcier, PRC, commented that he was not in favor of the sector based strategy as an effective strategy for individuals with multiple barriers to employment and suggested that the environmental scan be revisited.

Hasida Sinaga, RAMP-Hireability, commented on her concern about placing clients that she serves within the union trades due to their strict requirements.

Mr. David Bach, LGBT Center, commented on the difficulty of service providers to engage with the unions in placing clients.

Mr. Troy Henry, Goodwill of San Francisco, commented that with enhanced business services they have been meeting with the unions on a monthly basis and there have been challenges, however, the unions are at the table and willing to have a dialogue.

Ms. R. Niribe, SFLC, commented that she would like to invite everyone to the table to have a conversation about difficulties that service providers have in placing clients with the unions.

Ms. Christine Galvez, Community Housing Partnerships, commented that she wanted to make sure that we did not create an environment where one group of job seekers was fighting with another group of job seekers.

Conclusion

The meeting was adjourned was adjourned at 10:31am.