

Corrected as Approved at the January 22, 2010 Meeting
Governor's Council on Workforce Investment
Executive Committee

MEETING MINTUES

October 6, 2009
Madison and Conference Call
1:00 – 2:00 pm

Members Present: Tim Sullivan (Chair), Bucyrus International, Inc.; Joel Rogers (Vice Chair), Center on Wisconsin Strategy, UW-Madison; Kathy Cullen for Dan Clancy, Wisconsin Technical College System; Kathryn Dunn, Helen Bader Foundation, Inc.; Roberta Gassman, Department of Workforce Development; Kim Kindschi, UW Extension; Richard Leinenkugel, Department of Commerce; Phil Neuenfeldt, WI State AFL-CIO; Lee Rasch, Western WI Technical College; Rolf Wegenke, WI Association of Independent Colleges and Universities; Dean Welch, IT Convergence.

Members Not Present: Tony Evers, Department of Public Instruction; Tina Koehn, United Migrant Opportunity Services, Inc.; [Christopher Ruud, Ruud Lighting](#)

CWI Staff Present: Ron Danowski and Gary Denis

Others Present: JoAnna Richard, Karen Morgan, Linda Preysz, Dianne Reynolds, Department of Workforce Development.

CWI Executive Committee Website Link: <http://www.wi-cwi.org/executive/default.htm>

I. Welcome and Introduction

Chair Sullivan called the meeting to order and conducted the approval of the August 19, 2009 meeting minutes.

II. State Energy Sector Partnership Grant - Action

At the August meeting the committee agreed to support the Department of Workforce Development's request to submit a multi-state proposal to compete for a U.S. Department of Labor Energy Grant, on behalf of the Council on Workforce Investment (CWI). The Executive Committee agreed to serve in a coordination and oversight role.

Secretary Gassman provided a power point on the draft proposal, including the three strategies:

1. Energy Efficiency
 - Introduce two new apprenticeships – weatherization technician and energy auditor
 - Upgrade the skills and knowledge of skilled trade workers affected by energy and environmental policy
2. Renewables
 - Create new Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Apprenticeship
 - Upgrade the skills and knowledge of skilled trade workers affected by energy and environmental policy
3. Smart Grid
 - Retool and expand 4 apprenticeships – Electric Line Worker, Electric Metering Technician, Substation Electrician and Gas Technician
 - Establish statewide uniformity, provide nationally recognized credential

III. Status Reports and Discussion of Subcommittee Options

At the August meeting, the Executive Committee discussed the Chair's proposal to develop four new subcommittees to CWI. The Chair recommended that three subcommittees be newly created to provide oversight and direct the sector initiatives in the areas of (a) advanced manufacturing, (b) health care, (c) energy, and a fourth subcommittee on performance.

Executive committee members support this strategy, but strongly suggest using existing committees that currently include CWI members for the sector initiatives, and also recommend that the Executive Committee be responsible for the fourth subcommittee's charge – performance.

The Executive Committee agreed to the following:

- The energy subcommittee will be represented by the Cabinet Energy Committee led by Judy Ziewasz, Office of Energy Independence.
- The healthcare subcommittee will be represented by the Select Committee on Healthcare Workforce Development led by Roberta Gassman, Secretary of the Department of Workforce Development.
- The manufacturing committee will be newly formed and a call for volunteers will be announced at the next full Council on Workforce Investment meeting.
- The performance committee will be represented by the CWI Executive Committee.

IV. The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm.