



SELECTION & MONITORING COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Private Industry Council
Youth Services Building - Room 118
2342 N. 27th Street - Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53210**

Thursday, April 20, 2006 - 1:30 P.M.

- In Attendance:** Robert Cocroft (Chairman), Robert Dennik, John Hiller, Willie Johnson, Jr., Sheila Knox, Shirley Lanier, Lupe Martinez, Tim Russell, Carol Sample, Paul Soczynski, Richard Tennesen
- Excused:** Lyle Balistreri, Daniel Davis, Vince Martin, Mary Moore, Jeannetta Robinson, Charles Vang, Leonila Vega
- Staff Present:** Lesley Salas, Sue Wile, Lamont Williams, Dave Wilson
- Guests:** Lisa Boyd-Gonzalez (YWCA), Kimberly Childs (WIA Northwest), Lea Collins-Worachek (Job Service), Betty Faust (MCC), George Gerharz (W-2 Agencies), Sarah Horu (UWM), Saad Akbar Khan (UWM), Theresa Loerke (DWD), Nancy Nestler (Multicultural Community Service), Jewel Rodgers (WIA Northwest), Jennifer Riegenbach (UWM), Maria Rodriguez (Housing Authority), Leonor Rosas (UMOS), John Sachem (Multicultural Community Service), Jerry Stepaniak (MAXIMUS)

MINUTES (Pending Committee Approval)

The meeting was called to order by Brig. Gen. Robert Cocroft at 1:35 pm.

Ms. Sheila Knox announced the promotion of Lea Collins-Worachek to Director of the Milwaukee Division of Vocational Rehabilitation.

I. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes of February 23, 2006.

Moved

John Hiller

Seconded

Carol Sample

Passed unanimously

II. Case Management Performance

Placements on WIA Case Management contracts are running about 113 for the first three quarters, about 31% of the 366 placements that were projected. The new case management vendors began January 1, 2006. The PIC has increased each case management vendor's budget to provide for a job developer, as well as getting an early start on solid employer connections for the individuals in the certified training classes.

III. Drug Screening Report

Currently the PIC does not pay for drug screening for individuals who are applying to training. In the case of Commercial Driver's Licenses and Certified Nursing Assistants, to name a few, individuals must pass drug screens in order to be employed after training. At present the PIC has a few individuals in truck-driving or transportation training. The test costs from \$50 to \$100 per individual, and it is estimated that a change in policy to allow pre-training drug testing would not be very costly to the PIC, somewhere in the neighborhood of \$5,000 total. The PIC is reviewing this policy now since the transportation and construction sectors are demand occupational areas and require clean drug tests for employment. Since this topic will be an action item on the May Selection Committee agenda, this report serves as preliminary information only.

IV. May Selection Committee meeting

A special policy review meeting will be held by the Committee on Thursday, May 18, 2006, pending confirmation of committee members. The discussion will center around the training policy, drug screening policy, the \$8 per hour for placement policy and the status of current case-management contractors.