

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



ACTION ITEM 1.4

SUBMITTAL DATE: JANUARY 18, 2012

SUBJECT: Appointment of Private Sector Members to the Workforce Investment Board

RECOMMENDATION: That the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) Executive Committee approves the appointments of: Patricia Pimentel, Debra Martin and Estelle Lewis.

BACKGROUND:

Patricia Pimentel is the Regional Director of Southwest Riverside for Manpower Group/Staffing. Ms. Pimentel has worked in the Riverside Area for ten years and is an active member of the Hemet/San Jacinto, Lake Elsinore, Murrieta and Temecula Chambers. After witnessing the impact of the down economy involving both businesses and jobseekers, Ms. Pimentel wants to find ways in which private businesses and government agencies can partner to rebuild and attract new businesses into the Riverside area. Much like workforce development, Manpower strives to provide qualified jobseekers into the workforce arena. Ms. Pimentel believes that as a Workforce Investment Board Member she will receive an opportunity to learn more about the business climate in our area and where she and her group can assist in improving and rebuilding our workforce.

Debra Martin is the Wells Fargo Bank District Manager. Employed by Wells Fargo Bank for 35 years, Ms. Martin is currently responsible for managing 12 bank branches in the Riverside and Corona area. From 1999 to the present she has been active on boards and committees in the Riverside area. During her years of employment she recognized the need to match qualified jobseekers with the best work positions for their skills. Ms. Martin hopes to assist the Workforce Investment Board in developing a strategic plan to connect job seekers and employers, which will improve our community by decreasing unemployment and bringing qualified job seekers into the Riverside area.

Estelle Lewis is the owner of Ellie's Galleria. Ms. Lewis has workforce and public service experience in the Pass Area and the City of Banning. She takes an active part in the local, state, and national issues in her area. She has volunteered and sat on Boards in her area from 1969 to present. By becoming a member of the Workforce Investment Board (WIB), Ms. Lewis hopes to address four areas of concern she has: improving and creating employment opportunities; training and upgrading jobseekers skill; creating academic and career opportunities for youth; and, dissemination and coordination for these concerns. Ms. Lewis believes the WIB has the experience and resources that the Pass Area and City of Banning need to move forward towards a more positive workforce environment.

<p>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</p> <p>Date: January 18, 2012</p> <p>Approval: Yes/No</p>	<p>BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CONCURRENCE</p> <p>Required: Yes/No</p>
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