



**PLANNING COMMITTEE
MEETING NOTES**

**Tuesday, January 20, 2010
8:30 a.m.**

**Merrimack Valley Workforce Investment Board
Lawrence, MA 01843**

Members Present: Peter Matthews, Mike Lynch

Staff Present: Betty Kirk, Fred Carberry, Deborah Andrews

Guests Present: Amy Weatherbee, Arthur Chilingirian

Due to lack of a quorum the MVWIB Planning Committee members at the scheduled meeting were unable to vote on any items.

Information was provided on second quarter performance. Betty Kirk reported that this is for the first six months of FY2010 and she also handed out a six month operational summary from ValleyWorks Career Center which compares our region's demographics against the state demographics.

Betty explained that the performance numbers are lower due to the depressed economy and is no way a reflection on the Career Center. She said that we are at 57% of plan for total job seekers and entered employment is at 41% of plan. Last year at this time we were at 48% of plan.

Arthur Chilingirian explained that even though the Career Center stays open on Tuesdays and last night made 75 contacts they only got 1 entered employment.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kivell

Recorder