



## **International Association of Workforce Professionals**

### *California Chapter* **Legislative Committee**

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California Chapter Board of Directors

Dear Board of Directors,

The following are goals and objectives for the Legislative Committee for the new year, beginning January 1, 2012.

As the Legislative Chair for the current administrative year, my overall objective is to ensure that the California Chapter of IAWP is among the most informed and active in the international structure regarding legislative issues. The issues that our State Chapter will address will be focused on workforce development and the mission of our organization as a whole and the people that we serve.

I would like to be particularly responsive to the workforce development issues that have an impact on Veterans, disabled persons and legislation that affects the State Employment Security Agency system. Budgets for all of the workforce programs continue to diminish, while demands for services are increasing. I will seek to keep our members informed in a timely basis, about the political and budgetary issues and the effect they have on the program/services provided by our membership.

The vital key to the success of our legislative program is our local chapter participation. The communication must flow from the local grass roots efforts of our organization. It is through efforts of our local chapters that our communication can have a significant impact in the legislative process. I will continue to seek the participation of our retired members of our organization in any legislative action requests. With their wealth of knowledge, dedication to our organization and their commitment to our success, we can continue to have a significant impact on issues as we evolve with our association within the realm of workforce development.

To achieve the objectives discussed above, the Legislative Committee will take the actions bulleted below, which constitute the Legislative Plan for the 2012 calendar year:

- Analyze legislation that may have an impact on workforce development systems.

- Inform chapters and retirees of legislative issues that impact our workforce development members, using the attached flow chart and process to both disseminate and receive information and take action.
- When appropriate, make recommendations to the local, State and International level chapters regarding legislation.
- When appropriate, advise other organizations and entities regarding the California Chapter, IAWP position on such legislation or its implementation.
- Communicate with legislators at the local, state and national levels regarding legislation and encourage their support of the IAWP position.
- Promote legislative awareness via written articles on topical issues relating to legislation, in our California newsletter, The Cal-Liope, our California website, [www.iapes-ca.org](http://www.iapes-ca.org), and our Face book page <http://www.facebook.com/pages/IAWP-California-Chapter/225312620871019>
- Lead the membership in activities that fosters the IAWP perspective, including editorial dialogue, social media discussions, at educational conferences, and other appropriate meetings and forums.
- Communicate the position of the National Association of State Workforce Agencies (NASWA), by forwarding workforce bulletins via email and the California website.
- Document and track all activity via e-mail, quarterly reports, and printed documentation from member's actions.

Sincerely,

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California Legislative Committee