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Workforce Investment Boards administer federal funds for job counseling and training, and are advocates for workforce issues to help employers and employees improve their competitiveness in business.

HEADLINE: Dutchess County Workforce Investment Board Elects New Officers

Poughkeepsie, New York, December 16, 2004 – The Dutchess County Workforce Investment Board (DCWIB) is pleased to announce that Thomas N Sipos, CIC, Vice President of Sipos Insurance has been elected to serve as Chairman of the board in 2005. “We are entering a new era of global competition in what is coming to be known as ‘**The Innovation Economy**’. Tremendous opportunities await those businesses and individuals, who rather than fear change, embrace it as an opportunity for growth. The DCWIB, through the use of job training programs and promotion of the concept of individual and organizational **Life Long Learning**, will work to keep our county at the forefront of economic growth,” said Tom Sipos.

Dr. Dennis R. DeLong, Assistant Vice President, Academic Affairs & Dean of Graduate & Continuing Education, Marist College, Mark Kochanowski, Vice President of Human Resources, Health Quest, Stacey Langenthal, Senior Vice President, Rhinebeck Savings Bank and Joseph F. Dirac, Project Director AARP Foundation / SCSEP have also been elected to the 2005 slate of officers and will assume the responsibilities of First Vice Chair, Second Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary respectively.

These officers will provide outstanding leadership to the DCWIB and we welcome them to their new positions.

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