# YUMA COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Regular Meeting Martin Luther King Center January 13, 2016

# **MINUTES**

## I. CALL TO ORDER

Sam Pepper called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

## II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Sam Pepper led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## III. ROLL CALL

Roll was called and those present and absent were:

Members Present	Members Absent
1. Judith Castro	Abel Almanza
2. Maria Chavoya	Marisol Canales
3. Ramona Corrales	Betty DeNise
4. Julie Engel	Glenn Mayle
5. Ed Ford	Michael Moyer
6 Shari Frabasilio	Rick Rohrick
7. John "Bud" Johnson	Kevin Wilkins
8. Tom Kiley	Carrie Zaragoza
9. Dave McDowell	
10. Steve Miller	
11. Geoff Nance	
12. Nancy Ngai	
13. Ray Ochoa	
14. Sam Pepper	
15. Kim Rodriguez	
16. Tom Tyree	

Thereby a quorum was established.

Guests	(From Sign	in list)	Staff:
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Jennifer Sumner, STEDY

John Morales, Executive Director

Patrick Goetz, YPIC

Pat Ray, Operations Director

Marla Duran, AWC

Alicia Huizar, Clerk to the Board

Grace Wehrle, DES

María Aguirre, AWC
Daniel Barajas, AWC
Mary Jo McIntyre, YC Finance
Mercedes Mendivil, YPIC
Eulalia Tunico, DES-ES
Veronica Peña, DES-ES
Lorena Zaragoza, YPIC-EOC
Adriana Felix DES-RSA
Shavon, Knox, YPIC-IT

#### \*IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

John Bud Johnson Informed the board that the local chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) will be hosting the Martin Luther King Jr. March and Commemorative Service on Monday, January 18th at 12:30pm. The march begins on 8th Avenue and 5th Street at Union Missionary Baptist Church and ends at the MLK Neighborhood Center on the corner of 3rd Street and 13th Avenue. The commemorative service begins at 1pm. This event is open to the public.

Sam Pepper requested Alicia Huizar to send an email inviting the board members to the Martin Luther King Jr. March and Commemorative Service.

# V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (from November 10, 2015 meeting)

Sam Pepper asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Workforce Development Board meeting of November 10, 2015.

Ed Ford made a motion to approve the minutes of the Workforce Development Board meeting November 10, 2015; Seconded by Steve Miller. The motion carried.

## VI. Director's Report and Information Items

#### A. Washington Update

John Morales reported:

- Congress approved its fiscal year 2016 (FY15) omnibus spending bill and tax breaks extension package.
- The funds for the Adult and Youth programs will increase.
- The funds for the Dislocated Worker will have a slight increase.

# B. State Update

John Morales reported:

- The State will be rebranding the workforce name.
- The new branding is an attempt to assist the people of the community to know where to go when looking for employment assistance.

- More information on the State Branding Launch will be provided on the next board meeting.
- The governor has appointed the new Workforce Arizona Council.
- John will be attending the Workforce Arizona Council meeting on January 28, 2016.

# C. Rapid Response//Business Services Update

Patrick Goetz and Eulalia Tunico reported:

- Patrick Goetz from YPIC and Eulalia Tunico from Employment Services presented a power point on Rapid Response and Business Services (Attached).
- Kim Rodriguez provided an agricultural update.
  - The H2A program will have an increase in participants next year.
  - o DES-MSF had 1600 placements for this season.
  - Yuma County is leading the State in agriculture placements.
  - o The H2A contracts had an average wage increase.
  - The H2A employers had five successful meetings with San Luis employers regarding the Main Street construction and street realignment.

# D. JTED – YPIC Collaboration Update

Pat Ray reported:

- 10 Students from that Charter High School are enrolled in the JTED program.
  - o 2 students are enrolled in the drafting classes
  - o 1 students is enrolled in the Office Administration
  - o 1 student is enrolled in in the solar panel installation class
  - o 6 students are enrolled in the Community Health classes
- The Cyber Security program was added to the JTED curriculum.
- 27 students from the Youth Career Connect Grant (Industrial Technology and Cyber Security) are enrolled in the JTED program.
  - 11 Students are enrolled in drafting classes under the Industrial technology
  - o 16 students are enrolled in the cyber security class.
- The total of YPIC related student attending the JTED program is 37 students.

## E. Meeting with Arizona Commerce Authority

John Morales reported:

• John will be attending the Workforce GTO meeting on Tuesday, January 19, 2016.

#### F. Local Success Story

John Morales reported:

- Corina Quiroz thanked Frank Atondo and staff for assisting her to become self-sufficient by obtaining employment.
- **G. Proposed Next Meeting Date February 10, 2016** at the Martin Luther King Center located at 300 S. 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Yuma, AZ.

#### VII. Discussion/Action items

a. Authorize the Executive Director of the Yuma Private Industry Council, Inc. to sign contracts and documents on behalf of the Yuma County's Local Workforce Development Board; and authorize the Executive Director to delegate the signature of contracts and documents to the Operations Director and the Program Director in his absence or as deemed necessary.

Sam Pepper asked for a motion to authorize the Executive Director of the Yuma Private Industry Council, Inc. to sign contracts and documents on behalf of the Yuma County's Local Workforce Investment Board; and authorize the Executive Director to delegate the signature of contracts and documents to the Operations Director and the Program Administrator in his absence or as deemed necessary.

Julie Engel moved to authorize the Executive Director of the Yuma Private Industry Council, Inc. to sign contracts and documents on behalf of the Yuma County's Local Workforce Investment Board; and authorize the Executive Director to delegate the signature of contracts and documents to the Operations Director and the Program Administrator in his absence or as deemed necessary; Seconded by Maria Chavoya. Motion passed.

## VIII. Other information and/or Committee Reports

## **Economic Development:**

*Julie Engel reported for GYEDC:* 

- Insultech will be moving into the building that was previously occupied by Barco Stamping Company.
- Insultech's California operation may be relocating to Yuma.
- S & A Industries secured another contract with another company. They will be contacting Patrick to assist them with the hiring process.
- Gourmet Gardens will be locating their US based operation in Yuma.
- The Yuma area will be growing Gourmet Gardens specialty herbs.
- A quarterly investor luncheon will be taking place on January 19, 2016. Bob Cutler will be the guest speaker.

#### **Finance & Personnel Committee:**

Sam Pepper reported:

• Finance and Personnel Committee did not meet.

#### **Charter High School Board, Report:**

*Ed Ford reported:* 

- The Charter School Board meeting has been extended to one hour.
- 10 Students from that Charter High School are enrolled in the JTED program
- The school continues to work on the AzMERIT student accountability. More research will be conducted.
- The school is right on budget.

#### JTED:

Jennifer Sumner reported:

- The first JTED Orientation took place with the collaboration of Arizona Western College and the Charter High Schools on January 5, 2016 at the Student Success Center.
- 27 YPIC students are participating in the Industrial Technology and Cyber Security programs.
- 10 students from the Educational Opportunity Center Charter are enrolled in various programs.
- 5 students from Desert View Academy Charter School students are enrolled in various programs
- They currently have a total of 42 students enrolled in the JTED program.
- Toolkits will be provided to the high school counselors to assist students who are interested in attending the CTE program.
- JTED continues to meet with business leaders and people in the community to assess the needs for CTE.
- JTED continues to work on their marketing materials for both business and the school districts.
- Daniel Barajas from AWC informed the board that several of the JTED classes will lead towards a certificate or a degree.
- Daniel Barajas thanked Tom Kiley for attending every advisory board meeting and for being very involved.
- AWC will continue to work on offering new courses that meet the occupational needs in Yuma County.

#### IX. Good of the Order

Kim Rodriguez informed the board that Grace Wehrle celebrated her 20 years of services with DES and the Yuma Community.

## X. Call for Executive Session

There was no call for an Executive Session

## XI. Adjournment

Sam Pepper called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Maria Chavoya; Seconded by Ed Ford. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Alicia Huizar, Clerk to the Board and YPIC Executive Assistant/Contract Manager