

YUMA COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

Regular Meeting
YPIC Boardroom
January 9, 2013

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Sam Pepper asked Ken Rosevear to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Roll was called and those present and absent were:

Members Present	Members Absent
1. Nancy Alter	Ed Ford
2. Marisol Canales	Allen Hagedorn
3. Maria Chavoya	Diane Hansberger
4. Ramona Corrales	Jesus Quintana
5. Betty DeNise	Tom Tyree
6. Julie Engel	
7. John "Bud" Johnson	
8. Tom Kiley	
9. Glenn Mayle	
10. Dave McDowell	
11. Steve Miller	
12. Melinda Montgomery	
13. Nancy Ngai	
14. Larry Nelson	
15. Ray Ochoa	
16. Kelley Paulin	
17. Sam Pepper	
18. Kim Rodriguez	
19. Rick Rohrick	
20. Patricia Romant	

21. Ken Rosevear	
22. Clinton Underhill	

A quorum was thereby established.

Guests (From Sign in list)

Mary Jo McIntyre, Yuma County
 Barbara Stevens, YPIC
 Patrick Goetz, YPIC
 Cesar Fandino, PPEP
 Mercedes Mendivil, YPIC
 Grace Wehrle, DES
 Elizabeth Arturi, AWC
 Christian Espinoza, DES
 Marla Duran, AWC
 Lynn LaBrie, AWC
 Vilma Zuniga, YPIC

Staff:

John Morales, Executive Director
 Adriana McBride, Clerk to the Board

***IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (from November 14th, 2012)

Sam Pepper asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Workforce Investment Board meeting of November 14, 2012.

Motion made by Steven Miller; Seconded by Maria Chavoya. Motion passed.

VI. Director's Report and Information Items

A. Washington update

John Morales reported:

Congress on New Year's Day approved legislation to address the year-end tax hikes and spending cuts known as the fiscal cliff. The measure passes the House late on Tuesday after the Senate approved it earlier in the day:

- Higher taxes on individuals earning \$400,000 and on families making 450,000 or more.
- Higher tax rates on capital gains and dividends for wealthier households.
- Payroll tax increase: The employee portion of the Social Security contributions will return to 6.2 percent with the expiration of the payroll tax holiday.
- Automatic spending cuts delayed for two months. The "sequester," which would impose steep, across-the-board

cuts to domestic and defense programs, will be delayed for two months.

- One-year extension to long-term unemployment insurance. Long term emergency benefits will be extended for a year.
- One-year “doc-fix”. The measure will put off scheduled cuts in physician payments under Medicare. In the absence of an agreement, the payments were going to be reduced by 27% in January.
- Nine-month farm bill extension.
- Personal exemptions will be phased out and itemized deductions will be limited for taxpayers making over \$250,000 and families earning more than \$300,000.
- The estate tax will rise to 40% from its current 35% level, with the first \$5 million in assets exempted.
- Five year extensions of the American Opportunity Tax credit, which is a refundable income-tax credit for low to moderate income working Americans.
- President Obama recently authorized a congressional pay raise in a move that angered many congressional Republicans. The pay raise was eliminated.
- To WIA, this means that for the next couple of months, WIA is OK. Then, we will be facing the 8% cut of workforce funds should the sequester go into effect.

B. State Update

John Morales reported:

- The Governor has called for a new smaller workforce council.
- The new council will be called the Workforce Arizona Council (WAC).
- John Morales submitted a couple of names to be considered for the council. Hoping to have representation from Yuma County.
- The next meeting of the Council has been postponed.

C. Rapid Response/Business Outreach Update

Patrick Goetz presented a power point (Attached).

D. Performance Negotiation Meeting

- Last month, staff from Department of Economic Security had a conference call with Department of Labor to negotiate performance for the state of Arizona. A couple of Directors were invited to be a part of the negotiation. John Morales and Cynthia Spell from City of Phoenix

participated on the conference call.

E. New Funding Opportunity

- YPIC received an additional \$27,410 – left over amounts from other WIBs in the state of Arizona.

F. AAED Workforce Presentation

- On January 15, 2013 John Morales will provide a presentation on Workforce at the Economic Development course in Phoenix, AZ.

G. Training by Mary Ann Lawrence- Adult & DW Practices and Performance

- YPIC staff received training from consultant Mary Ann Lawrence on Adult and Dislocated Worker Practices, and also on Performance.
- We missed one performance measure last year for the first time and we are taking every precaution to make sure it does not happen again.

H. Proposed Next Meeting- February 13, 2013.

VII. Discussion/Action items

N/A

VIII. Other information and/or Committee Reports

Economic Development:

Julie Engel reported:

- The Holidays were precarious as Nations Health almost made the decision to leave Arizona. The issue was resolved and they will be staying.
- Friday, January 11th, the Arizona Commerce Authority will be briefing the governor and legislators about the unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) opportunity, Julie will be there representing Yuma; it be followed by the Chamber's luncheon.
- On January 15th Julie will be back in Phoenix promoting Aviation Legislative Days on the lawn of the capitol building; Yuma International, MCAS, YPG, and AWC will also attend.

- The next GYEDC Quarterly Investors Luncheon will take place on January 22nd.
- Julie hopes to announce two projects in 2013, if land negotiations go well. One project is agriculture related in East County; it will be a welcomed addition to the existing agriculture industry. The firm is relocating out of California due to some changes in legislation that directly affects them. The second project will be in South County; the decision was to be made in January, but it will be made in April instead.

John Morales commented that Julie was instrumental on bringing Nations Health to Yuma. He congratulated Julie for her excellent work.

Finance and Personnel Committee

None

Charter High School:

Ken Rosevear reported for Ed Ford:

- The EOC Charter High School Board met previous to this meeting.
- Enrollment is at 105; attendance is at 95%.
- On February 13th we will have a discussion regarding the security of the campus.

Youth Council:

Pat Romant reported:

- We met yesterday afternoon.
- We had very good attendance.
- All the partners provided updates.
- Arizona Western College is working very hard, and looking for out of school youth ages 16-21 for their program.

IX. Good of the Order

- John “Bud” Johnson extended an invitation to the celebration of Martin Luther King on Sunday January 20th at 2:00p.m., at the Yuma Baptist Church; it will be followed by a presentation at the Martin Luther King Center at about 3:00p.m.
- Ken Rosevear extended an invitation to the Good Morning Yuma on Thursday January 10th at 6:30a.m., at the Pivot Point; the presentation will be on the Affordable Healthcare Act and its effect

on Business.

- Also, the Yuma Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner will take place on Friday, January 11th at 6:00p.m., at the Pivot Point.
- The Governor will be in Yuma on January 24th at 1:00p.m., at Arizona Western College- the Yuma Chamber of Commerce is hosting the event.

X. Call for Executive Session.

N/A

Sam Pepper called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ken Rosevear made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Seconded by Larry Nelson. The motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:35a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Adriana McBride