YUMA COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

Regular Meeting Martin Luther King Center October 8, 2014

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. Ramona Corrales	Abel Almanza
2. Julie Engel	Skip Avery
3. Valencia R. Fisker	Marisol Canales
4. Shari Frabasilio	Maria Chavoya
5. Tom Kiley	Betty DeNise
6. Steve Miller	Ed Ford
7. Nancy Ngai	Allen Hagedorn
8. Sam Pepper	John "Bud" Johnson
9. Jesus Quintana	Glenn Mayle
10. Kim Rodriguez	Dave McDowell
11. Patricia Romant	Ray Ochoa
12. Ken Rosevear	Rick Rohrick
13. Tom Tyree	Clinton Underhill
14. Kevin Wilkins	

A quorum was thereby established.

Guests (From Sign in list)

Shavon Knox, YPIC
Nidia Herrera, YPIC
Lorena Zaragoza, YPIC
Mary Jo McIntire, Yuma County
Cesar Fandino, PEPP

Staff:

John Morales, Executive Director Alicia Huizar, Clerk to the Board Marla Duran, AWC

*IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

N/A

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (from September 10, 2014)

Sam Pepper asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Workforce Investment Board meeting of September 10, 2014.

Julie Engel asked for a motion to amend the minutes to reflect a change in the Economic Development Report under Kevin Wilkins to correct the spelling in Yuma **Visitors** Bureau.

Tom Kiley made the motion to accept the minutes as amended; seconded by Steve Miller. The motion carried

John Morales welcomed and introduced Joel Millman – Interim Director of Employment Services for the Department of Economic Security, State of Arizona.

VI. Director's Report and Information Items

A. Washington D.C Update

John Morales reported:

- Congress will be in session for a short amount of time in November 2014.
- The Federal Government is currently operating on a continuing resolution that runs through the middle of December.
- The Lame duck Congress will be left to make a decision on dealing with sequestration.

B. State Update

John Morales reported:

- A State Workforce Council meeting was conducted on September 24, 2014.
- Yuma County is one of the leaders in implementing integration in the State of Arizona.
- Patricia Romant had a meeting yesterday with Project PPEP, Employment Service, and Veterans to discuss integration issues.
- The State of Arizona has set up 8 different task forces which includes staff from the local areas to assist with the implementation of the WIOA.

C. Arizona Association of Workforce Developer Update

John Morales reported:

• John Morales attended the Workforce Arizona Council meeting on September 25, 2014.

- A data tracking system will have to be implemented for the core common measures across programs such as the Employment Service, Adult Education, and WIOA.
- The Vocational Rehabilitation Program will also be included as one of the Core Programs to be integrated as part of the WIOA and will be providing a report at the local level.

E. Rapid Response/Business Outreach Update

Lorena Zaragoza reported:

- Lorena Zaragoza from YPIC presented a power point (Attached).
- Valencia Fisker asked Lorena Zaragoza if there was any way to distinguish if any of the openings are seasonal as opposed to permanent full time.
- Lorena Zaragoza stated that she believed the numbers were seasonal due to the large amount agricultural workers being recruited. She will request that Patrick Goetz break down the numbers into seasonal and permanent full time for the next WIB meeting.
- A discussion took place among the Board Members regarding the number of closures and the population demographics in Yuma County.

F. Update – New Procedure at the One-Stop

Patricia Romant

- On September 22, 2014 a new process began at the One-Stop.
- Clients attend an orientation where they receive information about the provided services.
- A meeting took place on October 7, 2014 with Employment Service, Veterans, Migrant Season Farm Worker, and Project PPEP to discuss the flow of the new process. New modifications are being made. They are scheduled to meet again next week.
- On September 19, 2014 YPIC, Employment Services and the partner's staff attended a Career Advising Training Session presented by Arizona Western College.
- Different workshops are being provided to assist the job seeker.
- As of today, 30 people have been enrolled.
- YPIC has included a link in the YPIC's webpage for clients to report information when hired.
- The people that are registered in the program are now called members instead of participants.
- New jobs will be listed on the Arizona Job Connection site on a weekly basis.

Kim Rodriguez, reported:

• Employment Service has been working on obtaining job referral information for employers to ensure that the job seekers have been hired.

- Employment Services has access to the State Hire Data Base and are able to obtain information as long as the employer is reporting their new hires to the state.
- The H2A recruitment is starting for the winter season. They have 460 placements for Datepack.
- Employers from the Agricultural Industry are informing Employment Services and the Unemployment Insurance office of the H2A workers who quit, abandon, or leave the job in order to claim unemployment early when they have only completed three quarters of the contract.
- Employment Service is working closely with employers and UI to make that connection to keep unemployment numbers down and to prevent fraud.

G. Department of Labor Regional Town Hall – WIOA John Morales:

- John Morales, Patricia Romant, and Mercedes Mendivil will be attending the WIOA Town Hall Meeting in San Francisco on October 10, 2014.
- The Department of Labor WIOA points of emphasis are the following: To meet with partners, develop a transition plan, develop request for proposals for youth providers, and develop a request for proposal for the One-Stop Operator.
- DOL will be looking into the role of newly formed boards under WIOA.
- The board will be a Community Leader of the Local Workforce System. This will include Employment Service, Adult Educations, Vocational Rehabilitation, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).
- The One-Stop will be certified next year.
- Joel Millman is assisting in setting up the Task force groups on Governances, Regionalism, Fiscal, Policy, Performance Accountability, Labor Market Analysis, Staff Development, and Business Outreach.
- John Morales asked Ken Rosevear to be part of the Business Outreach task force.

H. Community Job Fair

- The Community Job Fair is taking place today at the Yuma Civic Center from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The job fair is a collaboration of several entities in the community.
- John Morales invited the board members to stop by the Job Fair.
- I. Proposed Next Meeting Date November 12, 2014 at the Martin Luther King Center located at 300 S 13th Avenue, Yuma, AZ.

VII. Discussion/Action items

VIII. Other information and/or Committee Reports

Economic Development:

Julie Engel reported:

- Jacobs was awarded the bid to perform the contracts services at Yuma Proving Ground.
- Julie Engel and Gladys Wiggins attended the World Routes (Airlines) International Conference in Chicago.
- The airport is launching an internal campaign to get the community to fly out of Yuma.
- Julie Engel and Gladys Wiggins spoke with some of the Regional Airlines such as Canada Air; their flights would only be on a seasonal basis.
- They also met with an airline that provides international flights to Mexico City.
- They are also conversing with United to provide a San Francisco flight.
- Julie emphasized that the process was quite involved and would take some time.
- The State Wide Military Affairs, Tiger Team, was in Yuma two weeks ago.
- Ken Rosevear accepted the position as a Chairman for the military support group.
- Ken Rosevear indicated that they are trying to set a military support group to protect our local military assets. A presentation was presented to the State Wide Governor's Tiger team.
- Kevin Wilkins reported that the City of Yuma will be getting a list of volunteers in the next few months for the Economic Gardening program.

Budget & Personnel Committee:

• The Budget & Personnel Committee did not meet.

Charter High School:

Ken Rosevear *reported:*

- Enrollment is at 105: attendance is at 92%
- The school had a rolled taco sale and made a profit of \$300.00.

Youth Council:

Patricia Romant reported:

• The Youth Council did not meet.

IX. Good of the Order

Tom Kiley informed the board members that he has signs that can be placed at the businesses or homes to help promote the Joint Technological Education District (JTED).

X. Call for Executive Session

Sam Pepper called for an Executive session to discuss the evaluation of the Executive Director. All guests and staff (including Pat Romant and John Morales) left the board room while the executive session took place.

Following the Executive Session, the Board reconvened into regular session. Sam Pepper asked for a motion to approve the Executive Director evaluation. A motion was made by Steve Miller and seconded by Julie Engel. The motion carried.

Sam Pepper called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Kevin Wilkins; Seconded by Valencia Fisker Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.