

YUMA COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Regular Meeting

Martin Luther King Center

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

Thereby a quorum was established.

Guests (From Sign in list)

Patrick Goetz, YPIC
Grace Wehrle, DES
Cesar Fandino, PPEP
Adriana Felix, DES

Staff:

John Morales, Executive Director
Patricia Ray, Operations Director
Alicia Huizar, Clerk to the Board

Judith Peralta, DES
Chris Thurbs, DES
Magnolia Alonzo, Somerton District
Kevin Imes, STEDY
Mary Jo McIntyre, YC Finance
Lorena Garcia, DES
Shavon, Knox, YPIC-IT

***IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

There were no comments from the public.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (from February 10, 2016 meeting)

Sam Pepper asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Workforce Development Board meeting of February 10, 2016.

Glen Mayle made a motion to approve the minutes of the Workforce Development Board meeting February 10, 2016; Seconded by Steve Miller. The motion carried.

VI. Director's Report and Information Items

A. Washington Update

John Morales reported:

- The Washington report was not provided as there were no updates to report.

B. State Update – State Plan

John Morales reported:

- The Draft WIOA Unified Workforce Development Plan 2016 – 2020 was posted for public comments.
- The Workforce Arizona Council Task Force prepared an Executive Overview to provide an easy reference for the local areas to understand and implement Arizona's Unified Workforce Development plan.

C. Rapid Response//Business Services Update

Patrick Goetz reported:

- Patrick Goetz from YPIC presented a power point on Rapid Response and Business Services.
- Patrick explained that the Seafood companies are from different States. The seafood industry is becoming a competitive industry. Salary wages have increased from \$8.75 to \$15.00. Employers offer seasonal work for seafood processing worker and helps ease seasonal labor shortage. Companies offer housing accommodation and transportation arrangements.

D. Update, Arizona@Work Launch

John Morales reported:

- The Arizona@Work Launch took place on Wednesday, February 17, 2016. John thanked board member Dave McDowell for being the Master of Ceremonies while he attended the State launch in Phoenix, AZ.
- 100 people attended our local event. John thanked the board members for attending the event.
- The purpose of the new brand is to be more noticeable to the employers seeking employees and the jobseeker seeking employment.

E. Update, Workforce Arizona Council

John Morales reported:

- The Workforce Arizona Council will be meeting tomorrow. Pat Ray and Alicia Huizar will be attending meeting tomorrow morning.

F. AWC and U of A Engineering Expansion Grand Opening

John Morales reported:

- Arizona Western College, in collaboration with University of Arizona, celebrated the completion of its Engineering building last month.
- Dr. Glenn Mayle spoke about the importance of providing possible engineering students the opportunity to stay in Yuma and become employed as opposed to relocating to another city or State.

G. Visit from Pinal County Workforce Agency

John Morales reported:

- Two members from the Pinal County Workforce Agency visited the One Stop Youth Facility and the Career Resource Center One Stop.
- Pat Ray and Mercy Mendivil took the time to show them the facilities and explained the process. They provided copies of the One Stop policy and procedures.

H. Proposed Next Meeting Date – April 13, 2016 at the Martin Luther King Center located at 300 S. 13th Avenue, Yuma, AZ.

VII. Discussion/Action items

There were no discussion/action items to be addressed at the meeting.

VIII. Other information and/or Committee Reports

Economic Development:

Julie Engel reported for GYEDC:

- Julie informed the board that it was amazing to see how the community responded to AWC Engineering grand opening and how the community learned about the new opportunities that AWC has to offer. Julie thanked Dr. Glen Mayle for helping create those opportunities.
- The Fifth Americas Competitive Exchange (ACE) Conference will be held on April 13, 2016. ACE will be in Arizona and California. 53 worldwide delegates will be stopping in Yuma to tour the Yuma Center for Excellence for Desert Agriculture, and the Jo Foss Hanger. Dinner will be hosted at the Quarter Master Depot.
- Two food productions companies from California might be relocating to Yuma. More information will be provided in the future.
- Julie provided an update on the Civilian Employment Contract at YPG.

Finance & Personnel Committee:

Sam Pepper reported:

- The Budget & Personnel Committee did not meet.

Charter High School Board, Report:

Ed Ford reported:

- The Charter High School Board had an informational meeting due to lack of quorum.
- The EOC Charter High School is still trying to put a plan where they are able to add in the results of the State Assessment that their students take and incorporate them to their final grade.

JTED:

Kevin Imes reported:

- The Legislature passed a bill with full restoration of funding for Joint Technical Education Districts (JTED's).
- The local JTED awarded 2.1 Million dollars to Yuma Union High School district and \$200,000 to Antelope Union High School District.
- 35 students are attending the JTED program at AWC. 10 students from the Educational Opportunity Center Charter are enrolled in various programs.
- Kevin Imes is involved with the Summer Works in Yuma program. The program is intended to keep Yuma County teachers during summer recess period with temporary employment to help fill their financial gap.
- The 3C Expo took place at AWC on February 19, 2016. About 1000 freshman attended. The expo was to provide exposure to Career and Technical Education.
- Kevin Imes explained the process of how the money is allocated to the high school district, how the amount is determined as well as what the money is used for.

IX. Good of the Order

Tom Tyree informed the board that 11 student from Yuma were sent to

Phoenix to attend the CodeDay program. CodeDay is a nationwide event where student programmers, can get together and build games and apps for 24 hours. Yuma will be hosting a CodeDay in the near future. More information will be provided at a later date.

John Morales explained the Geo-spatial density map that was provided to the board members. The density map is based on the participant's addresses for those enrolled into our workforce programs. The map also provides information on where the agency needs to conduct further outreach.

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 Tom Tyree; Seconded by Ray Ochoa. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

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