

# **YUMA COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD**

Regular Meeting  
YPIC Boardroom  
October 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:

<b>Members Present</b>	<b>Members Absent</b>
1. Marisol Canales	Ed Ford
2. Maria Chavoya	Diane Hansberger
3. Ramona Corrales	John "Bud" Johnson
4. Betty Denise	Steve Miller
5. Julie Engel	Rick Rohrick
6. Allen Hagedorn	
7. Tom Kiley	
8. Dr. Glenn Mayle	
9. Dave McDowell	
10. Melinda Montgomery	
11. Ray Ochoa	
12. Sam Pepper	
13. Jesus Quintana	
14. Kim Rodriguez	
15. Patricia Romant	
16. Ken Rosevear	
17. Tom Tyree	
18. Clinton Underhill	
19. Kevin Wilkins	

**A quorum was thereby established.**

**Guests (From Sign in list)**

Mary Jo McIntyre, Yuma County  
Joel Millman, DES  
Patrick Goetz, YPIC  
Christian Espinoza, DES  
Martha Camacho, YPIC  
Lorena Zaragoza, YPIC  
Veronica Zuniga, YPIC  
Janette Crawford, YPIC  
Cesar Fandino, PPEP  
Nidia Herrera, YPIC  
Amber Brown, YPIC  
Lydia Blackthunder, YPIC  
Mercedes Mendivil, YPIC  
Patrick Goetz, YPIC  
Leslie Blessing, YPIC  
Alison Morey, GYEDC  
Elizabeth Arturi, AWC  
Marla Duran, AWC  
Lynn LaBrie, AWC  
Gladys Wiggins, Airport Authority  
Mercedes Mendivil, YPIC

**Staff:**

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

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

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (from September 11, 2013)**

Sam Pepper asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Workforce Investment Board meeting of September 11, 2013.

Maria Chavoya made a motion to approve the minutes of the Workforce Investment Board meeting of September 11, 2013; Seconded by Betty DeNise. The motion carried.

**VI. Director's Report and Information Items**

Ken Rosevear introduced the new Airport Director, Gladys Wiggins (former Operations Director).

John Morales introduced Joel Millman, WIA Section Manager/ Employment Administration Division of Employment & Rehabilitation Services, Arizona Department of Economic Security.

**A. Washington update**

*John Morales reported:*

- The main item in the agenda is no longer Obama Care but the Debt Ceiling.
- 20 to 30 Tea Party members are driving the process.
- Patty Murray and Paul Ryan are working together drafting a bill.
- Democrats would like to replace sequestration; Republicans would like to keep sequestration.
- Essential programs are being funded despite government shutdown; Department of Labor, our funding agency, has been classified as non-essential.

*Ramona Corrales and Melinda Montgomery* spoke of some of the effects the government shutdown is having in their places of work.

*Ken Rosevear* mentioned that hotels are also being affected; he talked about the deep effects the shutdown is having on the Grand Canyon tour buses.

**B. State Update**

*John Morales reported:*

- The new Governor's Workforce Arizona Council (WAC) draft policies were passed and they will become effective on July 1<sup>st</sup> of 2014. The policies promote alignment and integration with partners such as Wagner-Peyser to provide seamless services at the One-Stop centers.
- In accordance with instruction received from State officials, YPIC created a Workforce System Team to work collaboratively on the five year business plan. The plan will be presented later for approval. A concept paper also needed to be submitted at the beginning of the process- Yuma was the first to submit the paper.

**C. Business Plan Development Update:**

- The Workforce System Team guided and wrote the Yuma County Workforce Five Year Business Plan. John thanked the team for their work and collaboration.
- Lynn LaBrie, member of the Workforce System Team, talked about the high level of collaboration during the writing process.

- Kim Rodriguez talked about the changes that will be happening as a result of the conversation with Consultant Mary Ann Lawrence, the new State Policies and the collaboration between DES Wagner-Peyser and WIA staff. A DES Business Officer will be re-locating to the One Stop Center to work more closely with Patrick Goetz (Business Officer).
- The plan will be on our web site for 30 days for comment.
- If anyone wants an electronic copy of the whole plan let Adriana know.

**D. Rapid Response/Business Outreach Update**

- Patrick Goetz from YPIC and Christian Espinoza from Department of Economic Security presented a power point that reported activities in the last month.

**E. Community Job Fair Update**

- Patrick Goetz talked about the Collaborative Job Fair that took place on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Civic Center. The job fair is a partnership of several entities which included: YPIC, Goodwill, Marine Corps Air Station, Yuma Proving Ground, Arizona Western College, Department of Economic Security (DES), DES Veterans Services and Greater Yuma Economic Development Corporation. Attendance was at 2,041.
- Highlights: Shared Resources, Veterans Resources, Marketing, Cost Sharing, Staffing, Preparation Workshops were provided by the collaborating partners.

Sam Pepper and other members talked about the importance of following up on the job seekers to ascertain the level of success of the job fair. How many got employed as a result of the job fair?

YPIC follows up on the employers side by sending them surveys and asking about the number of positions filled. YPIC will start sending surveys to the job seekers that provided an e-mail address to obtain more accurate information.

**F. Convey Health/PSI Testing Update**

- YPIC is still testing for Convey Health
- Convey has asked for increased amount for testing

**G. Update on Audit for 2012-2013 Program Year**

- The audit will be presented to the Board for approval at the next Workforce Investment Board meeting.

**H. Proposed Next Meeting-** Tuesday, November 19, 2013 at the Martin Luther King Center located at 300 S 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Yuma, AZ.

**VII. Discussion/Action items**

**A. Five Year Business Plan**

Sam Pepper asked for approval of the Yuma County Workforce Five Year Business Plan. Ken Rosevear made a motion to approve the Yuma County Workforce Five Year Business Plan.

Members of the Workforce System Team expressed their pleasure with the high level of collaboration that took place during the development process. The motion was seconded by Maria Chavoya. The motion carried.

**B. Presentation of Slate of Officers for 2013/2014**

Dave McDowell presented a slate of officers to direct the business of the Workforce Investment Board of Yuma County from October 2013 to October 2014 as follows:

Chair: Sam Pepper

Vice-Chair: Ken Rosevear

Secretary/Treasurer: Ed Ford

Maria Chavoya made a motion to accept the slate of officers as presented.

There were no nominations from the floor.

The motion was seconded by Julie Engel and was passed.

**VIII. Other information and/or Committee Reports**

**Economic Development:**

*Julie Engel reported:*

- GYEDC will have their annual dinner tomorrow at six to present their annual report to investors. It will take place at the Pivot Point.
- After seeing the report on jobs lost since 2007, she reviewed statistics from that year. The statistics only include 17 companies that GYEDC helped locate in Yuma; it does not include public sector, new businesses, hotels and restaurants, construction jobs created at the marine base. However, 2039 jobs were created during the same time period. That is good news and should be shared.

- The Governors Rural Conference was last week in Flagstaff. Presentations included new programs that the Arizona Commerce Authority has implemented since they re-organized. The information shared was very valuable and sadly attendance was poor- Julie asked for the presentations to be sent to her, she will present them to the GYEDC Board. As an example: Arizona is ranked No 1 by Forbes and by Money Magazine, and is expected to have the largest job growth by 2015. Texas is number 2.
- Julie thanked Kevin Wilkins for stepping up and assisting GYEDC. Kevin Wilkins reported that the outreach efforts in San Luis Rio Colorado continue; YMPO is taking the lead in bringing the communities together. They will meet tomorrow to look at the regional bi-national economy.  
Tom Tyree reported that the efforts to create the Joint Technical Education District (JTED) have really taken off. He hopes to have the plan completed by February and take it to the Local High School Boards and to the State Board of Education for approval; then it needs to go on the ballot where people have to agree to a modest tax increase.

#### **Finance and Personnel Committee**

- The committee met yesterday to review the five year business plan.
- The committee felt that the plan was thorough and collaborative.

#### **Charter High School:**

Ken Rosevear *reported:*

- The EOC Charter High School Board met previous to this meeting.
- Enrollment is at 105; Attendance is at 91%
- Starting a new quarter next week.

#### **Youth Council:**

N/A

### **IX. Good of the Order**

Ken Rosevear announced “Good Morning Yuma” is tomorrow at the Pivot Point at 6:30a.m.

**X. Call for Executive Session**

N/A

Sam Pepper called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Maria Chavoya; Seconded by Dave McDowell. Meeting adjourned at 10:10a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Adriana McBride