

YUMA COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

Regular Meeting

Martin Luther King Center

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

A quorum was thereby established.

Guests (From Sign in list)

Patrick Goetz, YPIC

Marla Duran, AWC

Lynn LaBrie, AWC

Nidia Herrera, YPIC

Staff:

John Morales, Executive Director

Alicia Huizar, Clerk to the Board

Mary Jo McIntire, Yuma County
Vilma Zuniga, YPIC

***IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

N/A

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (from April 9, 2014)

Sam Pepper asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Workforce Investment Board meeting of April 9, 2014.

Steve Miller made a motion to approve the minutes of the Workforce Investment Board meeting April 9, 2014; Seconded by Maria Chavoya. The motion carried.

VI. Director's Report and Information Items

A. Washington update

John Morales reported:

- The House of Representatives is making recommendations on the subcommittee level on allocations.
- The United States Conference of Mayors reported that there may be reductions in Labor and HHS; the subcommittee allocated more money for the FBI and Economic Development Administration.
- It was mentioned at the National Association Workforce Boards Conference that there are activities happening on Workforce Act Reauthorization. No further information is being provided.

B. State Update

John Morales reported:

- The Integration phase is moving forward. Partners are working together as a collaborative community towards integration.

C. Business Plan Update

- John Morales informed the board that of all the 12 plans submitted by the Arizona's local workforce investment areas, Yuma County's plan is the only one recommended for approval without conditions.
- John Morales congratulated all the partners who participated on developing the Five Year Business Plan.

D. Business Plan Presentation

- John Morales and Pat Romant will be attending the Workforce Arizona Council meeting and will be presenting the Five Year

Business Plan Presentation to the Systems Committee on
Wednesday, May 15.

E. Integration Update

- Grace Wehrle from Employment Services has joined the Business Service Team at YPIC.
- Part of the evidence to support integration is that a Job Services representative has been at YPIC since January of last year.
- YPIC asked state for more access to the Arizona Workforce Connection system to have staff cross trained and provide better customer service.
- Christian Espinoza from DES has been meeting with the One-Stop staff on a weekly basis.
- Partners attend the weekly One-Stop Partners meeting to exchange information about integration.

F. Rapid Response/Business Outreach Update

- Patrick Goetz from YPIC presented a power point that reported activities in the last month.

G. Update on Allocations for 2014 – 2015

- Preliminary information indicates that workforce budgets for 2014-2015 will be reduced.
- In anticipation of budget cuts YPIC will be instituting changes on July 1, 2014.

H. Update on Summit Partner Meeting

- The Summit Partner Meeting took place yesterday, May 13, at the Martin Luther King Center. Several partners presented at the meeting.
- Laura Campbell from Yuma Union High School District presented on Ready Now Yuma.
- Nicole Dallam from YRMC presented on Community Wellness.
- Jesus Quintana from the Growers Company presented on Agriculture.
- John Morales thanked Mr. Quintana for presenting at the Summit Partner Meeting.
- John Morales reported that Nancy Ngai and Julie Engel are working on a strategic plan on advanced manufacturing.
- Nancy Ngai reported that a consultant was hired to assist with the plan. He will be gathering data from the community.
- Nancy Nagai will be hosting a stakeholder meeting on June 4, 2014 at 10:30 at the Main Library.

I. Proposed Next Meeting Date – June 11, 2014 at the Martin Luther King Center located at 300 S 13th Avenue, Yuma, AZ.

VII. Discussion/Action items

N/A

VIII. Other information and/or Committee Reports

Economic Development:

Julie Engel reported:

- There are seven active projects and are all tied to manufacturing and improving their competitiveness and their resources. Each project has its own consulting firm.
- The first report that was released was purchased and commissioned by a private sector business owner. This report provided a large amount of information and leverage on targeting sectors that make electronic sensors.
- The report will be the foundation for GYEDC's strategic plan for 2014/2015.
- Julie Engel will be attending a Bi-National meeting in Mexicali, Mexico this afternoon.
- Julie Engel will be traveling to Rio Rico to attend a National meeting on Friday, May 16, 2014.
- A new trade proposition will be discussed at the National meeting.
- Greg Lavann is in Florida at an Aviation Unmanned Vehicle Systems conference. He's working on recruiting additional companies to Yuma for Unmanned Systems.

Finance and Personnel Committee

Sam Pepper reported:

- The Finance and Personnel Committee met yesterday, May 13.
- Allocations were discussed and the effects on the agency in the coming years.
- More usage of technological resources will be explored.
- More information will be provided on the June WIB meeting.

Charter High School:

Ed Ford *reported:*

- Enrollment is at 99; Attendance is at 90%
- Graduation is set for Thursday, May 22, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Historic Yuma Theater.
- Expecting 55 students to graduate.
- A student graduating from the Charter High school will be very close to receiving his Associates degree.
- The financial budget is on target. 83% of allocated funds have been used during the school year.

Youth Council:

Pat Romant reported:

- The Youth Council met on Monday, May 12.
- Arizona Western Council ABE classes are going well.
- Their first youth obtain his GED two weeks ago under the new system
- Recruiting youth ages 16 to 21 who are interested in attending AWC once they complete the initial intake process.
- The Yuma Private Industry Council Youth program is doing well.
- In-School students will be graduating from high school and will be attending a community college or trades school. Those students will be exited from the program and will be following up on them for a year.
- The Youth Program received the Youth Career Connect Grant. This grant will allow YPIC to work with young people and assist them to work on a degree in either Cyber Security or Industrial Technology.
- The grant will be able to pay classes, tuition, books, and internships with various companies.
- A total of 60 students will benefits from this grant.
- HACY has a program for low income people who want to purchase a home. They save \$5000.00 over a course of tenth months. It will be matched on a 3 to 1 basis. They can earn up to \$20,000 for a down payment.
- Child and Family Resources introduced their program on Building Bright Futures for Teen Parents.
- They are serving about 38 young people that are either pregnant or parenting teens.
- Sam Mendoza from the C2 program spoke about all the activities they do throughout the Yuma County. They work with a lot of young people through a faith based program.
- The C2 program will be having a Carne Asada Dinner Sale that will be taking place on Saturday, May 31, 2014 from 10 am to 3 pm at the Walmart on Pacific. The plate includes meat rice, beans, tortilla, and sodas. Cost per plate is \$7.00. They will deliver plates.

IX. Good of the Order

X. Call for Executive Session

N/A

Sam Pepper called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Patricia Romant; Seconded by Ed Ford. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Alicia Huizar