

YUMA COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

Regular Meeting
YPIC Boardroom
January 11, 2012

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ken Rosevear called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ken Rosevear asked Ed Ford to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Roll was called and those present and absent were:

Members Present:

1. Nancy Alter
2. Marisol Canales
3. Maria Chavoya
4. Ramona Corrales
5. Julie Engel
6. Ed Ford
7. John ‘Bud’ Johnson
8. Glenn Mayle
9. Dave McDowell
10. Steven Miller
11. Nancy Ngai
12. Larry Nelson
13. Ray Ochoa
14. Kim Padgett
15. Kelley Paulin
16. Kim Rodriguez
17. Rick Rohrick
18. Patricia Romant
19. Ken Rosevear
20. Tom Tyree

Members Absent:

- Betty DeNise (Excused)
- Allen Hagedorn (Excused)
- Diane Hansberger (Excused)
- Tom Kiley (Excused)
- Yara Nash (Excused)
- Sam Pepper (Excused)
- Jesus Quintana (Excused)

A quorum was thereby established.

Guests (From Sign in list)

Mary Jo McIntyre, Yuma County
Cesar Fandino, PPEP
Maricela Alvarado, PPEP
Gudelia Rodriguez, YPIC
Mercedes Mendivil, YPIC
Nidia Herrera, YPIC
Elizabeth Arturi, AWC
Grace Wehrle, DES
Gloria Rodriguez, DES
Larry Lebsock, YPIC/AWC
Lynn LaBrie, AWC
Barbara Stevens, YPIC
Christina Zacarias, YPIC
David Miknaitis, YPIC
Patrick Goetz, YPIC
Lorena Zaragoza, YPIC

Staff:

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

***IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (from November 9, 2011)

Ken Rosevear asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Workforce Investment Board meeting of November 9, 2011.

Motion made by Maria Chavoya; Seconded by Larry Nelson.

Motion passed.

VI. Director's Report and Information Items

A. Washington update:

- Reauthorization:
 - House introduced 3 Republican Bills
 - There seems to be enough Republicans that would support a locally driven system
 - The window of opportunity to get WIA reauthorized this year is very small- if it is not done by April- it probably won't be done.

- House Democrats are circulating a bill (Miller-Tierney), but will need Democratic co-sponsors. The bill will be introduced by the week of January 23rd.
- Appropriations will start in late February and March- House will be tough on domestic spending.
- Fear of sequestration still there (50% across the board cuts) through 2020.

B. State Update

- John will be attending a Governors Council of Workforce Policy Executive Committee meeting tomorrow in Phoenix; working on sector strategies.
- We will be utilizing a new data system soon; we are having some problems with the conversion of data. Details are being worked out.

C. Introduction of Sheila Paul Shedd-Governor's Council Presentation

- John Morales introduced Sheila Paul Shedd. Sheila made a presentation regarding the current activities of the various Council's committees; and Arizona Commerce Authority's Business services, Incentives & Programs. The power point is attached.

D. Update of Personnel Changes

- Linda Jordan has accepted a position with the convention bureau.
- Her position was filled in-house; Patrick Goetz is now the Business Officer.
- Patrick's position was filled in-house as well; Lorena Zaragoza is now the Vocational Training Manager.
- Lorena Zaragoza's position as a Career Guidance Specialist was also filled in-house.

E. Rapid Response/Business Outreach

Patrick Goetz made a presentation. The power point is attached.

F. Chamber Annual Awards and Installation Dinner

The Chamber's Annual Awards and Installation Dinner will take place on January 13, 2012 at 6:00p.m. at the 3C building at AWC.

G. Workforce and Economic Development Summit Partners Meeting

The partners started to meet last quarter to continue the efforts/goals of the Yuma County Economic Development and Workforce Development Summit. Three new partners have been added: YRMC, The Airport Authority, and NexGen.

The next meeting will be on January 24th at YPIC.

H. Proposed Next Meeting date –February 8, 2012

VII. Discussion/Action items

1. Ratification of the Safety, Procurement, and RFP policies developed in 2011.

Ken Rosevear asked for a motion to ratify the Safety, Procurement, and RFP policies developed in 2011.

Julie Engel made a motion to ratify the Safety, Procurement, and RFP policies developed in 2011; Seconded by Maria Chavoya. The motion carried.

VIII. Other Information and/or Committee Reports

Economic Development

Julie Engel reported:

-Insultech is currently occupying a building on Factor Avenue but is considering moving to the old Russell Coil Building.

-The Secure Electronic Network for Travelers Rapid Inspection (SENTRI) lane in San Luis Rio Colorado, Mexico was fenced and the traffic had to be redirected across the normal lanes which caused delays in getting across the border. The speculation is that there are plans by the federal government to attempt, one more time, to open a toll booth for the SENTRI lane users.

-Submitted proposals on behalf of four companies for grant available through the Arizona Commerce Authority- for rural areas.

-A big issue for large businesses to choose Yuma is the lack of a large industrial space that can accommodate 100,000-300,000 square feet. Plans to address this issue include the development of a virtual building suited for new businesses needs. The space will be ready to move in approximately six months. This would reduce the time for building and having to go through all the red tape that is normally necessary.

Finance and Personnel Committee, Report

No report

Charter High School, report:

Ed Ford reported:

- The EOC CHS Board met previous to this meeting
- Enrollment is at 105
- Attendance is at 91%
- The President of the Student Council thanked Ed Ford for the donation he made to council.
- DECA attended a leadership event in Tucson where they taught them about public speaking, and how to become a leader.
- Charter High School expenditures are slightly under budget

Youth Council, report:

Pat Romant reported:

- The Youth Council met on Tuesday, January 10th, at 3p.m. in YPIC's Boardroom
- Program updates were provided
- YPIC is recruiting for a Weatherization class through the State Energy Sector Partnership (SESP) grant.
- AWC provided an update on number of In School and Out of School Youth enrolled.
- Juvenile Court reported that the JUST program will be evaluated by UCLA and Pepperdine. It was implemented in Yuma and Yavapai Counties last year. It was a successful pilot and Yuma will be utilizing it throughout the agency this year.

IX. Good of the Order

- John Johnson extended an invitation to attend the Dr. Martin Luther King services on Monday, January 16th at the MLK Ceneter at 3:00pm.

X. Call for Executive Session.

N/A

Meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Adriana McBride