

YUMA COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

Regular Meeting
YPIC Boardroom
April 13, 2011

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Sam Pepper called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Sam Pepper, asked Ed Ford to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Roll was called and those present and absent were:

Members Present:

1. Maria Chavoya
2. Ramona Corrales
3. Betty DeNise
4. Julie Engel
5. Ed Ford
6. Diane Hansberger
7. Tom Kiley
8. Dave McDowell
9. Steve Miller
10. Larry Nelson
11. Barry Norman
12. Ray Ochoa
13. Kelley Paulin
14. Sam Pepper
15. Patricia Romant
16. Ken Rosevear
17. Tom Tyree

Members Absent:

- Nancy Alter (Excused)
Allen Hagedorn (Excused)
John "Bud" Johnson
Glenn Mayle (Excused)
Yara Nash (Excused)
Karen Nicklaus (Excused)
Kim Padgett (Excused)
Jesus Quintana (Excused)

A quorum was thereby established.

Guests (From Sign in list)

Mary Jo McIntyre, Yuma County
Grace J. Wehrle, DES
Gloria Rodriguez, DES
Mercedes Mendivil, YPIC
Patrick Goetz, YPIC
Lind Jordan, YPIC
Janette Crawford, YPIC
Barbara Stevens, YPIC
Marla Duran, AWC
Lynn LaBrie, AWC

Staff:

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

***IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

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

Sam Pepper asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Workforce Investment Board meeting of March 9, 2011.

Motion made by Maria Chavoya; Seconded by Diana Hansberger.

Motion passed.

VI. Director's Report and Information Items

A. Washington Update

- There was an agreement for the remainder of the 2011 Budget 15 minutes before the deadline
- Nationwide, there was a 10% cut in Dislocated Workers funds
- Adult and youth funds were not affected
- 38 billion cuts for FY 2011
- FY 2012 budget will be next
- President's budget will come out and he will start reducing the budget
- We should have more information by the next WIB meeting
- YPIC has already planned for budget at 2008 levels for next year
- Received a letter from Congressman Raul Grijalva thanking YPIC for organizing the Yuma Job Seekers Boot Camp.

B. State Update

- Staff from YPIC attended the WIA Technical Assistance Conference in phoenix last week.
- There was an on-site monitoring on March 2nd on Equal Opportunity and Non-discrimination practices for PY 2010.

- We received letter from Connie Fraijo at DES informing that there were no findings.

C. Rapid Response Update/Business Services Report

Updates by Patrick Goetz and Linda (power point attached)

Additionally, Linda reported:

- First Solar: has awarded the phase one of 65 week project (could be 150 week project)
- Confidential Company: Will be buying a building, they expect to have 50 to 60 positions to start up.
- Kett Engineers: Continue to recruit temporary drivers for the summer as many countries send their cars to test on the hot weather track.
- Emerald Correctional Management in San Luis broke ground on an expansion of the facility- will have 60 to 70 jobs in the next 8-10 months. Also in negotiations with the State to build a 1,000 bed facility that Emerald will operate. Emerald is also looking at opening a site in El Centro.

D. Update- LWIB Member Term Expirations

- Several members' terms will be expiring on June 2011, they have been asked to serve again and they are willing to serve again with a couple exceptions:

Barry Norman will be retiring in June 2011

Karen Nicklaus will give names of another representative from Nicklaus Engineering that might be able to serve.

E. Update- Workforce and Economic Development Summit

- There was a Yuma County Workforce and Economic Development Summit on March 18; partners reported back to the community on activities that have taken place in the last year.
- Surveys were sent out to those that attended the summit and valuable feedback has been received from Julie Engel and Judy Gresser.

F. Update-National Workforce Day of Action

- March 24 was National Workforce Day of Action and YPIC invited the community to come in and sign the virtual petition.
- There was a lot of support from the business community and the

One Stop partners.

- Several board members also signed the virtual petition and we thank them, and everyone that was able to come in and show their support.

G. Update-AWC/Yuma High STEAM Academy

- John Morales and Pat Romant serve on the advisory Board and are strongly supporting the Science Technology Engineering Agriculture and Math Academy efforts.
- There is a lot of interest from students and their parents.

H. Proposed Next meeting Date- May 11, 2011

VII. Discussion/Action items

None

VIII. Other Information and/or Committee Reports

Economic Development by Julie Engel

- Have been busier than ever
- There will be an opportunity for recruitment on a manufacturing company
- APS has several RFPs since they are pushing the solar projects in the region
- GYEDC has several projects in the pipeline but they are under staffed

Finance and Personnel Committee, Report

N/A

Charter High School, report:

Ed Ford reported:

- The EOC CHS Board met previous to this meeting
- Enrollment is at 105
- Attendance at 94.5%
- Presentation by the student council
- Student Council still very active
- Brian presented a power point that was presented to Representative Grijalva's staffer.

IX. Call for Executive Session

N/A

X. Good of the Order

Adjournment

Sam Pepper asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Maria Chavoya moved to adjourn the meeting; Seconded by Tom Tyree.

The motion carried

Meeting was adjourned at 9:40a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Adriana McBride