

YUMA COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

Regular Meeting
YPIC Boardroom
October 12, 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. Nancy Alter
2. Marisol Canales
3. Betty DeNise
4. Julie Engel
5. Ed Ford
6. John ‘Bud’ Johnson
7. Tom Kiley
8. Steven Miller
9. Nancy Ngai
10. Ray Ochoa
11. Kelley Paulin
12. Sam Pepper
13. Rick Rohrick
14. Patricia Romant
15. Ken Rosevear
16. Tom Tyree

Members Absent:

- Maria Chavoya (Excused)
- Ramona Corrales (Excused)
- Allen Hagedorn (Excused)
- Diane Hansberger (Excused)
- Glenn Mayle (Excused)
- Dave McDowell (Excused)
- Yara Nash (Excused)
- Larry Nelson (Excused)
- Kim Padgett (Excused)
- Jesus Quintana (Excused)
- Kim Rodriguez (Excused)

A quorum was thereby established.

Guests (From Sign in list)

Mary Jo McIntyre, Yuma County
Nidia Herrera, YPIC
Mercedes Mendivil, YPIC
Linda Jordan, YPIC
Lynn LaBrie, AWC
Vilma Zuniga, YPIC
Marla Duran, AWC

Staff:

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

***IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (from October 12, 2011)

Sam Pepper asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Workforce Investment Board meeting of September 14, 2011.

Motion made by Tom Tyree; Seconded by Steve Miller.

Motion passed.

VI. Director's Report and Information Items

A. Washington update:

- A Draft House appropriations Bill has been released; it reduces Department of Labor's funding by almost 2 billion.
- There is talk of an omnibus appropriations bill for fiscal year 2012, but the effort will probably be opposed.
- There will be continued pressure to reduce funding.
- The super committee's action is still in play and will affect funding decisions. The Committee will have to come up with a plan by December.

B. State Update

- John will attend the Governor's Council on Workforce Policy Executive Committee meeting next week in Phoenix.
- John was appointed to the Executive Committee and will be providing a report to the Council on a regular basis.
- The new Arizona Commerce Authority is now in place
- Arizona Commerce Authority has moved from the state capitol to downtown Phoenix.

C. Rapid Response Update/Business Services Report

- Linda Jordan provided an update on Rapid Response activities and Business Services (Power Point attached).

Sam Pepper recommended that the Finance and Personnel Committee meets in the near future to plan accordingly for the increased need of service levels.

D. Report on YPIC Job Fair held on October 5, 2011

- 70 employers were at the job fair
- 1400 people attended the job fair
- At least 1/3 of the attendees completed an online pre-registration
- The event was well organized

E. Strategic Plan meeting with partners update

- We are on the second year of the Yuma County Workforce and Economic Development Summit plan.
- New partners have been brought to the table: Airport Authority, Yuma Regional Medical Center, and NexGen.
- A meeting was held last week to strategize the year two action plan and to provide updates.
- Will be holding meetings on a quarterly basis.

F. SENTRI Project Update

- The Mayors of San Luis and the City of Yuma are concerned about the wait times to cross the border from Mexico to the U.S.
- A SENTRI Application Fair will be held on October 24th to assist people in applying for the SNETRI pass which will expedite the border crossing process.
- YPIC will be assisting at the SENTRI Application Fair, in collaboration with City of Yuma, City of San Luis, and Customs & Boarder Protection.

G. Proposed Next meeting Date- November 9, 2011

VII. Discussion/Action items

1. Presentation of a Slate of Officers to direct the business of the Workforce Investment Board of Yuma County from September 2011 to September 2012.

Sam Pepper presented, on behalf of Larry Nelson, a slate of Officers to direct the business of the Workforce Investment Board of Yuma County from September 2011 to September 2012 as follows:

Chair: Sam Pepper
Vice-Chair: Ken Rosevear
Secretary/Treasurer: Ed Ford

Tom Tyree made a motion to accept the slate of Officers as presented.
There were no nominations from the floor.
The motion was seconded by John “Bud” Johnson. The motion carried.

VIII. Other Information and/or Committee Reports

Economic Development

Julie Engel reported:

-Insultech Corporation was at YPIC’s Job Fair and has decided to open their doors in Yuma. However, the company does not have a signed lease yet.

-Julie and Greg recently attended a Business Retention and Expansion training in Phoenix. It now appears that the model for serving business has been tipped upside down; this is a positive change since there will be more value brought to businesses through a retention and expansion approach.

-As an example: the Arizona Commerce Authority has authorized an additional 2 million grant which GYEDC will be pursuing. Also, there is a second 1 million grant for small businesses (they do have to be industrial and/or commercial in nature).

-We are seeing the Arizona Commerce Authority trying to infuse more money into the rural areas.

-Will also infuse money into the State Chamber of Commerce- not sure if that will trickle down to other areas.

-Will be attending the Governors Council for Workforce Development Conference in Oro Valley in a couple of weeks; will be part of a panel that will open up the conference with “how the ACA and local areas are working together now”

-Aerospace: there has been a shift from manufacturing to Repair and Maintenance based on possible federal budget reductions

-Watching the Federal budget- could greatly impact MCAS/YPG.

Finance and Personnel Committee, Report

-The committee did not meet this month

-It is time for John Morales’ annual evaluation

-If anyone, not on the Finance and Personnel Committee is interested in participating in the evaluation process, please let Adriana now and she will forward the evaluation form.

-Adriana will be sending out the evaluations to the committee members; please return them at your earliest convenience and the evaluations will be forwarded to Sam Pepper.

Charter High School, report:

Ed Ford reported:

- The EOC CHS Board met previous to this meeting
- Enrollment is at 105
- Attendance is at 96%
- If tax credit funds will be utilized for student activities, the Board needs to authorize a fee schedule, and the board also needs to authorize the principal to waive all or part of an activity fee
- Expenditures at 22% at 25% of the school year (slightly under budget)
- Some students will be participating in the Annual Paint A Thon this Saturday- along with YPIC staff.

Youth Council, Report

- Met yesterday
- Program updates from AWC and YPIC
- AWC is using the Ed to Go program for the Medical Front Office/6 weeks of training for \$95.00
- They have a variety of different courses every six weeks
- AWC has spaces available for Clerical training
- YPIC is enrolling participants and will work with AWC to have some focus groups with young people to determine what vocational programs they would like to see offered.
- Juvenile Probation Program started a program called JUST, the program makes it a little harder for first time offenders- if they violate probation they get immediate consequences and are brought back before the judge the very next day.
- November 18 is the annual adoption day- it is open to the public
- Job Corps in Tucson has low numbers in the female component (ages 16-24) at the Tucson site and will be recruiting to bring up those numbers (it is a residential program/200 students live on campus).

- We now have a Job Corps representative at our One Stop
- HACY is working on after school projects for participants
- Our next meeting will be on January 10, 2011

IX. Call for Executive Session

N/A

X. Good of the Order

Ken Rosevear informed the Board members that the Governor signed off on the Local Preference Bill (prop 400) - 5% advantage over out of town vendors.

John Morales informed the Board that the State is replacing its current data gathering system that tracks WIA participants and activities. We currently are required to use the Virtual One Stop System (VOS).

Sometime between November and January, the VOS System will be replaced and mandatory training will be required for YPIC and provider staff. **This may necessitate the closing of our facilities for up to 3 days.**

XI. Adjournment

Sam Pepper asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Tom Tyree moved to adjourn the meeting; Seconded by John “Bud” Johnson. The motion carried

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Adriana McBride