

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 5/13/10

FROM: Youth Council Staff

For Discussion

For Action

For Information

SUBJECT: Youth Council Membership – Carol Greenberg

PROPOSED MOTION(S): That the Workforce Investment Board ratify the Youth Council's decision to approve Ms. Carol Greenberg, Business-Education Alliance Facilitator for Merced County Office of Education, for membership on the Youth Council and forward to Board of Supervisors for final approval.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Greenberg applied for membership on the Youth Council. Ms. Greenberg has served on numerous organizations including Workforce Investment Board, Government Review Council for the Greater Merced Chamber of Commerce, UC Merced- University Friends Circle, United Way of Merced County, Merced Arts Council, American Red Cross and Soroptomist of Merced. Ms. Greenberg would like to provide more opportunities to youth and brings years of experience in working directly with the Merced County Workforce Investment Board and various sub-committees.

ATTACHMENT(S): Application is attached.

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Develop policies that will contribute to a healthy community of young people; recommend activities for youth that can prevent gang involvement; develop employment and training policies that will help in-school and out-of-school youth prepare to be successful in the workplace; recommend family-friendly activities that will bring parents and children together; recommend allocation of funds to target local goals that are in the best interest of Merced County's youth and the community.

3) List all experiences you feel would be advantageous to the Youth Council.

I have been a member of the PIC and Workforce Investment Board for 10+ years so I am aware of the Youth Council's responsibilities. I have sat on the Allocations Committee for United Way funding, where I learned of the wide-ranging needs of our children/families. My employment background has allowed me to see the need to better prepare students for the realities of the work-world. I am a parent who has raised 2 successful sons in Merced (one is in medical school, one is a freshman in college).

4) Please list any other information that you feel would be pertinent to this application.

My work as the Business-Education Alliance Facilitator has exposed me to long-term studies that demonstrate that the earlier we intervene in a child's education--as early as preschool--the more likely he/she is to graduate, go to college, earn higher wages, stay out of gangs and prison, and be productive employees. We must take preventive measures to raise our youth to be successful community members.

5) REFERENCES: List two references who can attest to your suitability for appointment to the Youth Council (please provide name, address and phone number).

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