

To: Workforce Investment Board

Date: May 24, 2001

FROM: Youth Council

For Action
 For Information
 Meeting Notes

SUBJECT: Proposed Youth Council Conference

PROPOSED MOTION: That the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) concur with the Merced Youth Council's proposal to sponsor a "First Annual Conference for Youth on Youth Councils".

DISCUSSION: During a statewide training session for Youth Council members, our Youth Council attendees discovered that most youth members of youth councils considered themselves as "token" members of their councils. This fact led to the Merced Youth Council proposing that they plan and facilitate a statewide conference for youths on youth councils. The intent will be to instruct youths on such subjects as leadership, communications, principles of parliamentary law and the Workforce Investment Act as it relates to youth councils to enable youth to become more fully functioning Council members.

The original proposal was to hold the conference in October, 2001 at the Doubletree Hotel in Modesto. At the May 11th Youth Council meeting, the project was assigned to the Outreach and Education Committee. The time frame has been extended to April/May 2002. Second, every effort is being made to hold the conference in Merced County. Lastly, the committee is working with County Counsel to close any legal problems the conference might encounter.

ATTACHMENT: