TO: Workforce Investment Board   DATE: 03/11/10

FROM: Youth Council   ☒ For Discussion

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SUBJECT: Youth Council recommendations for Use of Youth Funds

PROPOSED MOTION(S): Ratify the Youth Council's recommendation to approve the utilization of the remaining Youth funds (approximately $44,400) for the purpose of options stated below.

DISCUSSION: On February 17, 2010 the Youth Council agreed to recommend allocating youth funds in the three areas listed below. These monies need to be spent by June of 2010.

1. **Allocate $20,000 to MCOE – This would allow students to attend the Green Jobs Corps outdoor school during spring break. The cost per participant for this activity would be $350 plus transportation, and staff stipends, and overnight supervision for 50 students.**

2. **Allocate $5,000 to cover and prepare existing staff's time for Youth Planning Program activities prior to actual start up time.**

3. **Allocate $19,400 for Youth Council Training and Youth Council Development – The committee felt very strongly that this Council needs to develop not only its board members but, to also develop the minds of youth. The committee proposed the following ideas but, also wanted to include other ideas at the discretion of the sub-committee.**

    • **Schedule Paul Clayton, Trainer at a cost of $1,500.00 which would include an invitation to the WIB. Mr. Clayton will focus his discussion on the "Psychology of Youth Today".**

    • **Youth Council members to attend annual CWA conference, Cal Ed Conference and/ or CWA Meeting of the Minds.**

    • **At the CWA plenary in Long Beach, members attended session regarding "Road Trip Nation." YC members are very interested in this project and would like to replicate it to some degree in Merced. The cost to bring Mr. Mike Marriner, President and Co-Founder, would not exceed $2,500.00.**

- **Continuation of the Ad-Hoc Committee to identify motivational speakers and projects that would further the mission of the Youth Council. Projects to be submitted on an on-going basis.**

ATTACHMENT(S):   N/A