

TO: Youth Council

DATE: 8/09/02

FROM: Operations Committee

For Action

For Information

Meeting Notes

**SUBJECT: Funds Request, Merced County Office of Education (MCOE),
Department of Career and Alternative Education**

PROPOSED MOTION: That the Youth Council approve the request for funds from MCOE to expand the Younger Youth Program to provide work-based learning opportunities. The program will last for one year at a cost of \$111,285, and will be an amendment to the MCOE younger youth contract.

DISCUSSION: MCOE has made a request for funds to enhance their younger youth program. The enhancement is aimed at the 200 WIA enrolled 10th graders, and will be accomplished through a collaboration between MCOE Career and Alternative Education and the MCOE Younger Youth Program.

The proposal will provide for WIA enrolled 10th graders a Job Shadow program, Conversations with Business, and Career Industry Days. Teachers' development is also included in this proposal. It is expected that up to 35 high school teachers will receive training.

The proposal meets WIA guidelines and requirements. If funding is approved, it would be administered through an amendment to the younger youth contract. Also, if approved, the Youth Council must seek out additional programs for out-of-school youth to satisfy the WIA 30-70 split.

ATTACHMENT(S): Funds Request