

## Workforce Investment Board of Merced County

# Youth Council

### UC Cooperative Extension

2145 Wardrobe Avenue, Merced, CA

Wednesday, September 8, 2004, 4:00 p.m.

### Meeting Minutes



MERCED COUNTY YOUTH COUNCIL

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**Members Present:** Stephanie Busbea, Claudia Corchado, Ben Duran, Rennise Ferrario, Robert Harmon, Kathy Hassett, Mary Jane Hawkes, Rebecca Lincoln, Richard Mahacek, Nellie McGarry (Chair), Jim Newberry, Mayra Ramirez, Vann (Mike) Smith, Rev. Craig E. White, Sr

**Members Absent:** Ana Andrade, Bob Bittner, Mary Cavazos, Natalie Culver, Evelyn Eagleton, Alexander Hall, Taide Hernandez (Vice Chair), Charlie Lambert, Kristen Miller, Edgar Perez, Ralph Vigil

**WI Staff Present:** Dave Davis, Dee Knight

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**1. Call to Order/Roll Call:** The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:12 p.m., and roll call was taken.

**2. Approve Agenda:** It was *M/S/C Corchado/Hawkes* to approve the agenda as published.

**3. Approve Minutes:** It was *M/S/C Hassett/Newberry* to approve the July 14, 2004 minutes with addendum and the August 11, 2004 minutes:

**4. Public Opportunity to Speak:** None.

**5. Announcements:**

a. The Boys and Girls Club is having its "Solid Gold Night" on October 30, 2004, at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$25.00 per person. There will be prizes given for the best costume.

b. It was noted that Ms. Claudia Corchado was honored by an article in the Merced Sun-Star for being a positive role model for youth.

c. Ms. Joanne Presnell was selected to be the Department of Workforce Investment's Assistant Director.

**6. Action Agenda:**

**a. Youth Council Goal #2:** It was *M/S/C Duran/White* to make the following changes to Goal #2:

- 1) Delete the word "communicate", and replace with "promote".
- 2) Capitalize Youth Development.

**7. Information Agenda:**

**a. High Concentrations of Youth Plan:** Staff provided the plan for services and budget that Merced County Office of Education submitted to the state to serve 35 out-of-school youth within the

Juvenile Justice System. The program case manager will be located halftime at Juvenile Hall and halftime at Valley Community School. Receipt of the funds is expected in October 2004.

**b. Youth Council Facts/Accomplishment Paper:** Staff provided an updated draft for review, and asked the members for input. The following was recommended:

- 1) Include the outcomes in the accomplishments.
- 2) Add the Youth Conference, and other conferences/workshops members attended on the national and state level.
- 3) Include the “All Youth–One System” award.

**c. Innovative Transitions Youth Grant:** Staff noted the Department had applied for this grant in July 2004, which was to provide services to youth with disabilities. There were three sites selected, but Merced County was not one of them.

**d. SB 215 – Youth Development Act:** Handouts (Fact Sheet, Goals and Background) were provided regarding SB 215, which is currently pending in Assembly Appropriations. It is felt this creates another layer of bureaucracy, and diminishes the purpose of the State Youth Counsel.

**8. Chair Comments:** None.

**9. Date, Time and Location of Next Youth Council Meeting:** Next meeting is October 13, 2004, 4:00 p.m, at UC Cooperative Extension, 2145 W. Wardrobe Ave, Merced.

**10. Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Devilla D. Knight