

**Workforce Investment Board of Merced County  
Youth Council**

**Merced County Office of Education – Newbold Room  
632 W. 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Merced, CA  
Wednesday, January 11, 2006 – 4:00 p.m.**



**Meeting Agenda**

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call .....
  2. Approve Agenda .....
  3. Approve Minutes (December 14, 2005) .....
  4. Public Opportunity to Speak .....
  5. Announcements .....
  6. Action Agenda .....
  - a. Youth Council Membership – Isabel Nash ..... Dave Davis
  7. Presentation.....
  - a. Update on Search Institute Training ..... Richard Mahacek
  8. Information/Discussion .....
  - a. Yth Council Goals & Other Yth Programs Discussion.....Kathy Hassett/Richard Mahacek
  - b. Youth Council Retreat .....Dave Davis
  9. Chair Comments/Roundtable/Future Agenda Items.....
  10. Date/Time and Location of Next Meeting – Feb 8, 2006, 4:00 p.m., MCOE, Newbold Room, 632 W. 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Merced .....
  11. Adjourn .....

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**Meeting Minutes**



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**Members Present:** Mary Cavazos, Natalie Culver, Evelyn Eagleton, Alexander Hall, Kathy Hassett, Mary Jane Hawkes, Rebecca Lincoln, Richard Mahacek, Rick Osorio (Chair), Mayra Ramirez, Vann (Mike) Smith, Nathan Timmerman

**Members Absent:** Bob Bittner, Stephanie Busbea, Ben Duran, Rennise Ferrario, Robert Harmon, Taide Hernandez (Vice Chair), Charlie Lambert, Edgar Perez; Rev. Craig E. White

**Others Present:** Valerie Anthony, Cindy Bray, Dave Davis, Patricia Evans, Rebecca Garcia, Nancy Goodban, Debby Hoban, Nellie McGarry, Alfredo Mendoza, Toulou Moua, Holly Newlon, Joanne Presnell

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**1. Call to Order/Roll Call:** The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m., and roll call was taken.

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

**3. Approve Minutes:** It was *M/S/C Hall/Ramirez* to approve the November 9, 2005 minutes.

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

**5. Announcements:**

**a.** Ms. Becky Lincoln shared a newsletter about a Coat Drive for Adopted School sponsored by the staff and participants of the Youth Opportunity Program and the Empower Program. This year they adopted Planada Elementary School, and were able to donate 97 new coats. The newsletter included photos of the event.

**b.** Mr. Richard Mahacek provided information on Youth Development Action Team. Children's Summit is scheduled for April 7, 2006. They are planning on providing the Search Institute training and are looking for support from other agencies. It was requested to add this topic to the January agenda.

**c.** Ms. Lincoln stated HSA had extended an invitation to the Youth Council to attend Stakeholder Training for Youth-Serving Professionals on January 12, 2006, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. RSVP is requested.

**6. Information/Discussion:**

**a. "Teen Scene" Program – 2006:** Ms. Kathy Hassett provided a handout and made a presentation to clarify some of the questions raised at the Youth Council meeting on November 9, 2005. Ms. Patricia Evans stated the meeting is scheduled for January 12, 2006, to discuss objectives and find out which objectives are already being met, and how to meet other objectives on the list.

**b. ROP Career Industry Days:** Ms. Evelyn Eagleton presented information and a video on Career Industry Days already held. Career Industry Days in Health and Construction are being planned for 2006.

**c. High Concentration of Youth Award:** MCOE was congratulated on its receipt of the High Concentration of Youth award.

**d. Construction Trades Career Fair:** Mr. Mike Smith reported the group met, selected a date, and is moving forward on a number of fronts.

**7. Chair Comments/Roundtable/Future Agenda Items:** Chair requested Youth Council Retreat be added to the January agenda. Chair wished everyone a happy and safe holiday.

**8. Date, Time and Location of Next Youth Council Meeting:** Next meeting is January 11, 2006, 4:00 p.m, at Merced County Office of Education – Newbold Room, 632 W. 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Merced.

**9. Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Debby Hoban

**TO: Youth Council**

**DATE: 01/11/06**

**FROM: Youth Council Staff**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: Membership on the Youth Council - Isabel Nash**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): Accept the application for membership on the Youth Council from Isabel Nash and forward to the WIB for approval.**

**DISCUSSION: Ms. Isabel Nash, a Program Coordinator for the Dos Palos Community Center, has applied for membership on the Youth Council. Ms. Nash sits on the Supportive Ongoing Services Committee for the Dos Palos Oro Loma Unified School District, and is involved with developing community programs for both youth and their parents. She has lived for thirty years in Dos Palos, and will bring a wealth of information concerning youth needs and assets from the westside.**

**ATTACHMENTS: Application will be available at the meeting.**

**TO: Youth Council**

**DATE: 01/11/06**

**FROM: Youth Council Staff**

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**SUBJECT: Discussion of Youth Council Goals and Other Youth Programs**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): Information and discussion.**

**DISCUSSION: During recent Youth Council meetings, the subject of non-Youth Council youth programs has been of considerable interest. Additionally, the Youth Council has looked inward to reaffirm its role, mission, vision and goals.**

**Two Youth Council members, Kathy Hassett and Richard Mahacek, have requested that the Youth Council compare its goals with the activities of other non-WIA youth programs as an avenue for possible action, participation or cooperation.**

**Youth Council Goals:**

- 1. Lead the efforts to connect all youth strategies within the community.**
- 2. Advocate and communicate the use of youth development.**
- 3. Develop and implement an outreach program for youth to increase their knowledge of programs available to youth.**
- 4. Oversee and foster all WIA youth programs to assure goals, objectives and timelines are being met.**

**ATTACHMENTS: N/A**

**TO: Youth Council**

**DATE: 01/11/06**

**FROM: Youth Council Staff**

For Action

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**SUBJECT: Youth Council Retreat**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): Information and discussion.**

**DISCUSSION: During the December 14, 2005 Youth Council meeting, the possibility of having a future Youth Council Retreat was raised. The Youth Council has held two retreats since its inception, November 17, 2001 and June 14, 2002.**

**The original retreat centered around three questions:**

- 1) Where do you see the Youth Council going in the next 2 years?**
- 2) What does a comprehensive, local youth system look like?**
- 3) What is the most important function of this Youth Council in building a comprehensive, local youth system?**

**The retreat facilitated the Youth Council in assigning priorities to specific elements of a Youth Council in building a comprehensive local youth system. The following functions were listed as top priorities:**

- 1) Coordinate youth services by defining a single year-round comprehensive system,**
- 2) Ensure quality and impact of local efforts by benchmarking best practices and setting quality standards based on best practices,**
- 3) Promoting policies to sustain effective practices by catalyzing the shift from programs to one system, and**
- 4) Convening local leadership to take action by leveraging youth serving resources and by educating leadership on the system and lessons learned.**

**The June 14, 2002 Retreat took a more inward look. This retreat's agenda centered on a review and evaluation of the Council's Role, Vision, Mission and Goals. A review was presented of the Council's achievements and the roles and achievements of the five Youth Council subcommittees. The functions of the Youth Council were also reviewed and discussed. The retreat accomplished the verification of 3 of the Council's 4 goals. The functions of the Council were generally affirmed but an ad hoc committee was recommended to further refine the functions of the Youth Council.**

**On October 12, 2005, the Youth Council held an Open Forum on the role and responsibilities of the Youth Council. The Vision, Role, Mission Statement and Goals were reviewed and affirmed. A historical look at the accomplishments, to include all past and present members, was presented. The costs of WIA programs and numbers of participants were discussed. Finally, the Youth Council's White Paper was accepted and approved by the Youth Council. This Open Forum accomplished basically what the June 2002 retreat had accomplished.**

**ATTACHMENTS: N/A**