Workforce Investment Board of Merced County

Youth Council

Merced County Office of Education – Bldg M
632 W. 13th Street, Merced, CA
Wednesday, February 8, 2006 – 4:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

http://web.co.merced.ca.us/wi/youth/meetingpkts/meetingpkts.html

Members Present: Stephanie Busbea, Mary Cavazos, Natalie Culver, Ben Duran, Evelyn Eagleton, Rennise Ferrario, Alexander Hall, Robert Harmon, Kathy Hassett, Mary Jane Hawkes, Taide Hernandez (Vice Chair), Rebecca Lincoln, Richard Mahacek, Rick Osorio (Chair), Mayra Ramirez

Members Absent: Bob Bittner, Charlie Lambert, Edgar Perez, Vann (Mike) Smith, Nathan Timmerman, Rev. Craig E. White

Others Present: Dave Davis, Patricia Evans, Shane Ferriera, Patricia Hinson, Wendy Lomeli, Alfredo Mendoza, Nancy Mendoza, Sheena Murry, Isabel Nash, Julie O'dell, Joanne Presnell, Dolores Sharp, Jackie Walther-Parnell

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 Duran/Cavazos* to approve the agenda as published.

3. Approve Minutes: It was *M/S/C Hassett/Duran* to approve the January 11, 2006 minutes.

4. Public Opportunity to Speak: None

5. Announcements:

a. Mr. Richard Mahacek invited the group to the Children's Summit scheduled for April 7, 2006, at the Boys & Girls Club from 8:30 a.m., to 3:30 p.m. Following the summit, there will be a Stakeholder's meeting from 3:30-6:00 p.m.

b. Ms. Evelyn Eagleton invited everyone to a presentation called "From Jail to Jobs" on March 17, 2006 at the Merced County Office of Education-Newbold Room, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The fee is $50.00 per person.

c. Ms. Kathy Hassett shared that she is the Chair for the Merced County Drug and Alcohol Advisory Board. This Board is working on the recommendations made by the Stakeholders from the Children's Summit. Once available, Ms. Hassett will bring the recommendations to share with the Youth Council.

d. Ms. Patricia Evans informed the group that next week Human Services Agency will open its new office in downtown Merced.

6. Action Agenda:

a. It was *M/S/C Hall/Duran* to approve Mayra Ramirez as the new Vice Chair.
b. It was *M/S/C Duran/Harmon* to hold a retreat, and to form an Ad-Hoc Committee to meet and bring possible dates and a draft agenda to the next meeting.

7. Presentation:

a. Youth Employment Opportunity Program (YEOP)— This is a program sponsored by the Employment Development Department (EDD) and targets youths 16-21 years old. Ms. Nancy Mendoza and Ms. Wendy Lomeli gave a presentation regarding the services they offered:

- Leadership Development & Mentoring
- Referrals to Supportive Agencies
- Exploring Career Paths
- Interview Preparation, Job Search Techniques
- Summer Employment Opportunities
- Resume Preparation, Application Skill
- Connections to Tutoring & Study Training

b. WIA Funding: Ms. Jackie Walther-Parnell gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding WIA funding.

c. CWA Youth Conference: Committee members and staff shared information regarding the CWA Youth Conference.

8. Information:

a. Career Industry Days: Information was provided with the meeting package.
b. Youth Program Quarterly Reports: Information was provided with the meeting package.

9. Chair Comments/Roundtable/Future Agenda Items: The Chair thanked everyone for coming.

10. Date, Time and Location of Next Youth Council Meeting: Next meeting is March 8, 2006, 4:00 p.m, at Merced County Office of Education – Newbold Room, 632 W. 13th Street, Merced.

11. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Patricia C. Hinson