

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



**Department of Workforce Investment-Lg. Conf. Rm
1880 West Wardrobe Ave, Merced, CA
Wednesday, March 8, 2006 – 4:00 p.m.**

Meeting Agenda

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

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call
 2. Approve Agenda
 3. Approve Minutes (February 8, 2006)
 4. Public Opportunity to Speak
 5. Announcements
 6. Action Agenda
 - a. Appointment to Youth Council..... Deloris Sharp
 - b. Appointment to Youth Council.....Sheena Murry
 - c. Appointment to Youth Council..... Wendy Lomeli
 - d. Appointment to Youth Council..... Nancy A. Silva
 - e. Youth Council Training Funding Request
 7. Information
 - a. Construction Trade Career Fair.....
 - b. Retreat.....
 8. Chair Comments/Roundtable/Future Agenda Items.....
 9. Date/Time and Location of Next Meeting – April 12, 2006, 4:00 p.m., MCOE, Newbold
Room, 632 W. 13th Street, Merced
 - 10 Adjourn

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



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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

TO: Youth Council

DATE: 3/08/06

FROM: Youth Council Staff

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Application for Membership

PROPOSED MOTION(S): The Youth Council approve Ms. Deloris Sharp, a youth, for membership on the Youth Council

DISCUSSION: Ms. Deloris Sharp, a youth, has applied for membership on the Youth Council. Deloris is a former foster youth who is now involved with the California Youth Connection, a group working to create or change laws impacting the lives of foster youth. Additionally, Deloris is a volunteer for Ameri-Corps, a mentor program helping foster youth.

ATTACHMENT(S): Application will be available at the meeting.

TO: Youth Council

DATE: 3/08/06

FROM: Youth Council Staff

For Action

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SUBJECT: Application for Membership

PROPOSED MOTION(S): The Youth Council approve Ms. Sheena Murry, a youth, for membership on the Youth Council

DISCUSSION: Ms. Sheena Murry, a youth, has applied for membership on the Youth Council. Sheena is a former foster youth who is now involved with the California Youth Connection, a group working to create or change laws impacting the lives of foster youth. Additionally, Sheena is a student at Merced College majoring in early childhood education.

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TO: Youth Council

DATE: 3/08/06

FROM: Youth Council Staff

For Action

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SUBJECT: Application for Membership

PROPOSED MOTION(S): The Youth Council approve Ms. Wendy Lomeli, a former youth program participant, for membership on the Youth Council

DISCUSSION: Ms. Wendy Lomeli has applied for membership on the Youth Council. Wendy is a former WIA youth program participant and is currently employed as a Youth Program Representative for the Employment Development Department. Wendy is currently also a college student and has participated as an interviewer for the MCOE Career/Portfolio Days, been involved with the Merced County Association of Governments, and served on the YOP Youth Advisory Committee.

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TO: Youth Council

DATE: 3/08/06

FROM: Youth Council Staff

For Action

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For Discussion

SUBJECT: Application for Membership

PROPOSED MOTION(S): The Youth Council approve Ms. Nancy A. Silva, a Merced County Deputy Probation Officer, for membership on the Youth Council

DISCUSSION: Ms. Nancy A. Silva has applied for membership on the Youth Council. Nancy is a Deputy Probation Officer III with the Merced County Probation Department, working with youth at the Iris Garrett Juvenile Justice Correctional Complex. She has worked youth programs for over 15 years and is currently a member of the Los Banos Rotary and serves on the Catholic Charities Board.

Ms. Silva will fill a requirement of the Workforce Investment Act that a representative of law enforcement or probation be a member of the Youth Council.

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TO: Youth Council

DATE: 3/08/06

FROM: Youth Council Staff

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SUBJECT: Youth Council Training

PROPOSED MOTION(S): The Youth Council contract for training in Youth Development – contract amount to be determined by expected numbers to be trained.

DISCUSSION: It was discussed in the February 2006 Youth Council meeting that training in Youth Development Assets will be available following the Youth Development Stakeholder’s Meeting, April 7, 2006. A request was made to the Youth Council to help fund the training with no specific amount being requested.

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A

TO: Youth Council

DATE: 3/08/06

FROM: Youth Council Staff

For Action

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For Discussion

SUBJECT: Construction Trade Career Fair

PROPOSED MOTION(S): Information only.

DISCUSSION: The Construction Day Careers Fair is scheduled to be held on April 7, 2006, from 10:00 am – 2:00pm at the Automotive Training Center at the Castle Airport and Aviation Center. Flyers have been distributed to the schools and signups for the Unions are starting to filter in. We have had several visits from the Union Apprentice Program and they are appreciative of the Youth Council's efforts. Approximately 300 youth are expected to attend the function.

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A

TO: Youth Council

DATE: 3/08/06

FROM: Youth Council Staff

For Action

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SUBJECT: Youth Council Retreat

PROPOSED MOTION(S): Information only.

DISCUSSION: It was determined in the February 2006 Youth Council meeting that the Youth Council would have a Spring Retreat. A Retreat Working Group was created to develop topics, secure a facilitator(s), and begin planning.

A facilitator for the morning of May 6 was secured, Mr. Rick Record from the State of California's Employment Development Division had volunteered to facilitate a morning session on "Common Measures" and their impact on youth programs. On Thursday, March 2nd, Mr. Record regretfully informed the work group that the State had liability issues with his travel to Merced and that he could no longer facilitate.

The workgroup is scheduled to meet Mar 6th and will brief its progress during the March 8 Youth Council meeting.

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A