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YOLO COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD YOLO YOUTH OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES January 20, 2004

I. Roll Call

The Yolo County Workforce Investment Board Yolo Youth Opportunity Council meeting convened on January 20, 2004 at 3:30 p.m. at the Yolo County Office of Education, 1240 Harter Avenue, Woodland, California with the following people attending:

Present: Brenda Arteché, Chris Blackman, Susan Cassady, Jennifer Davis, Estella De La Torre, Michael Gangitano, Dianne Grimard, Lee Humes, Jessica Larsen, Constance Lucero, Gayle McLevich, Diane Moreno, Carol Neal, Ron Piña, Susan Purcell, Karen Quintanilla, Vicki Rich, Angelica Saragoza, Jasmine Smith, and Nelida Sotelo

Absent: Ronda Adams, Jorge Ayala, Blanca Barba, Steven Daubert, Bianca De La Torre, Kathy Harryman, Christine Hartman, Kitty Hudson, Sandy Johnson, Elizabeth Jones, Susan Knadle, Jerry Knapp, Tom Lawson, Krystal Majorovas, Panna Putnam, Delia Quiñones, Cassandra Schantz, Mike Sellers, Alvin Singh, and Lisa Tadlock

Staff: Viola DeVita

II. Welcome and Introductions

Jackie Correa, Winters High School
Cheri Schroeder, Woodland Community College, Foster & Kinship Care Education Program
Tom DeLancy, Woodland Community College, Foster & Kinship Care Education Program
ZoAnn Laurente, California Workforce Investment Board

III. Statement from Public and Visitors

No statements

IV. Agenda Items

A. Review and Approval of November 18, 2003 Minutes

Michael Gangitano's announcement on page 2 of the November 18, 2003 minutes should be corrected to read "the Third Annual Career Day taking place on April 9, 2004" rather than on April 4, 2004.

Susan Purcell moved, and Vicki Rich seconded the motion to approve the Minutes of November 18, 2003. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Foster and Kinship Care Education PowerPoint Presentation moved to item B

Cherie Schroeder and Tom DeLancy of the Foster & Kinship Care Education Program provided an informative PowerPoint presentation expressing the need for foster care in Yolo County. This presentation is available in both English and Spanish.

Yolo County currently has 40 foster families and 400 foster children.

Those interested in obtaining more information are encouraged to contact Cherie at (530) 661-5772.

C. Announcements

- Dianne Grimard requested speakers for the Winters High School Career Fair. It will take place on March 4, 2004 at Winters High from 10:15am – 1:00pm. Lunch will be served. Chris Blackman, Yolo Federal Credit Union will be speaking at the fair.
- Chris Blackman announced that there will be a Career Fair at Pioneer High School. The date/time is currently unknown
- Jennifer Davis disseminated a flyer for Yolo Federal Credit Union's FREE Workshops.
- Carol Neal announced the Industry Symposium for Counselors. It will be held March 12, 2004 at SMUD from 8:30am – 12:30pm. Lunch is included. Carol will send information to YYOC.
- Ron Pina announced the California Association of Leaders for Career Preparation (CALCP) will be holding a workshop on Feb 20, 2004 from 9:00am – 3:00pm at Lake Natomas Inn. It focuses on how you can become your programs best advocate. Ron will send the flyer with pertinent information to YYOC.
- Jasmine Smith announced that the Community Service Awards deadline is Friday Jan 23, 2004. If interested in making a nomination please contact the City Managers office.
- Jessica Larsen provided a copy of the thank you letter from Brenda Pate to YYOC for the donations to the foster youth at the Woodland Home.
- Gayle McLevich announced the All Youth One System Conference that will be taking place in Palm Springs Feb 17-19, 2004.
- Susan Purcell stated that the Woodland Chamber of Commerce is putting on a business development series. Susan attended the workshop to obtain information to take back to students. She discovered that in the first 4 ½ minutes the decision is made whether or not to hire someone. The next workshop takes place Feb 12, 2004.

D. Legislative Update

Ron disseminated the Jan 9 Memo to CALCP Board of Directors from Laura Wasco regarding the Governor's Proposed Budget for 2004-2005. One of the main concerns is the proposal of "rebasin" Proposition 98 which would mean deferring the \$2 billion funding until 2005-2006.

There are 22 programs proposed to be consolidated to shift funding to the revenue limit. The districts would receive one lump sum in lieu of categoricals.

E. YYOC March Retreat

The YYOC March Retreat will be held March 16 & 17, 2004 from 4:00-7:00pm. Dinner will be served.

Agenda Items:

- Enhance YYOC Capacity
 - Building role in implementing WIA with no funding
- Accessing Foundation (youth funding) / Grant \$
- Linking with State YCi to affect political change / continued funding of youth councils
- Formalized tracking / invitation process with community, private sector, chambers / strategies
- Goals for 2004-2005
- Five-Year Plan
- Building Consortiums with other WIA's, i.e. Sutter, Butte, Capital area
- Understanding grant funding / agenda's – building capacity
- Subcommittees
 - New assignments?
 - Valid?
- State Youth Council
- Supervisor, EDD liaisons, Regional Advisor - Jose Luis Marquez
- Strategies for Y.C. efforts – tangible, collaborative
- Legislative Input
 - Specific legislatures
 - Whitehouse report / county offices of education
- Marketing / Advocating program strategies

Lee Humes questioned who supervises the youth component at the State level? ZoAnn Laurent announced that Jose Luis Marquez is the Regional Advisor.

On budget related matters ZoAnn reminded us that the President is reinvigorating funding for workforce training – although it is now directed to colleges. There has been a loss in adult, youth, and dislocated worker funding streams. Some One Stops are closing and there is no status on local youth councils.

Lee would like to engage in discussions with State persons regarding the strategies we should pursue. ZoAnn suggested working out a strategy and inviting Rona Sherif Halibron to attend. Rona is on the State Board as Wes Chesbro's representative.

We will send an e-mail to YYOC members requesting topics for the retreat.

F. Leveraging Resources with WIA Funding – moved to March Retreat

G. CS² Update

Gayle reported that Feb 2, 2004 is the kick off Job Shadow event. Yolo County will take up to 500 students to the California Highway Patrol from 9:00am – 12:00pm. The request is out to counselors and liaisons. Susan Cassady requested information on the event.

Chris Blackman expressed concern that YFCU is being paired with students from Lodi – apparently LEED had no information on Yolo County students. Gayle will get information regarding Yolo students to Chris. Gayle is also working with the various Chambers of Commerce in Yolo County.

Winters schools also have minimal success with LEED regarding Job Shadowing.

May 10, 2004 is the Career Fair at River Cats Stadium in West Sacramento CA.

H. DESS Youth Program Report. Constance provided written updates on the youth projects approved by the WIB, under item I. Subcommittee Reports

I. Subcommittee Reports

• **Community Resource Mapping/Coordinate Youth Services**

- **RFP Process** – Constance Lucero reported that the Youth Council request regarding WIA RFP Funding Recommendation was approved by the WIB. Funding can be broken into three \$25,000 grants. Sharon Yokoi, Grantwriter, was contracted to complete a Status Analysis of youth services in Yolo County. The assessment concluded that there are little to no services in three of the ten youth service elements required under WIA available to youth in the outlining areas of Yolo County, including Esparto, Madison, Knights Landing, Brooks, Guinda, Clarksburg, Yolo, and Zamora.

Constance requested a subcommittee to read/rate proposals. The grant may be difficult due to the performance measures WIA requires to be tracked.

- **Promote Policies to Sustain Effective Practices / Ensure Quality and Impact**
Vicki Rich reported that five students completed the Work Ready Certificate. The School/Business Partnership met Thursday, January 15, 2004 and was impressed. There was one letter of exemption for a student who had pneumonia but kept up the GPA.

Brenda and Tanya, Hands Together, are taking students to the Barbara Coloroso workshop on January 22, 2004. The workshop will cover Bullying and Being Bullied.

Next Meetings to be held in YCOE's Woodland Conference Room
Leadership Team & Subcommittee Chairs – 2:30 – 3:30 pm.
YYOC - 3:30 – 5:00 pm.

March 16 & 17, 2004 – March Retreat 4:00-7:00 pm. Dinner included.
May 18, 2004

V. Adjournment

With no further business Gayle McLevich, acting Chair, adjourned the meeting of the Yolo Youth Opportunity Council at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Viola DeVita