



# Yolo County Workforce Investment Board

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## YOLO COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD YOLO YOUTH OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES May 20, 2003

### I. Roll Call

The Yolo County Workforce Investment Board Yolo Youth Opportunity Council meeting convened on May 20, 2003 at 3:32 p.m. at the Yolo County Office of Education, 1240 Harter Avenue, Woodland, California with the following people attending:

Present: Ronda Adams, Jorge Ayala, Blanca Barba, Karen Benson, Steven Daubert, Robin Dewey Barbara French, Dianne Grimard, Howard Hupe, Sandy Johnson, Constance Lucero, Ron Piña, Susan Purcell, Karen Quintanilla, Vicki Rich, Angelica Saragoza, Jasmine Smith, and Nelida Sotelo

Absent: Chris Almeida, Brenda Arteche, Chris Blackman, Susan Cassady, Mike Challenger, Maria Chavez, Jennifer Davis, , Kathy Harryman, Christine Hartman, Kitty Hudson, Lee Humes, Elizabeth Jones, Susan Knadle, Jerry Knapp, Tom Lawson, Jonathan London, Mel Losoya, Krystal Majorovas, Gayle McLevich, John Merris-Coots, Carol Neal, Panna Putnam, Delia Quiñones, Cassandra Schantz, Mike Sellers, David Serena, Judy Simas, Lisa Tadlock, and Beverly Taylor

Staff: Viola DeVita

No quorum present.

### II. Welcome and Introductions

Marianne Cartan, 49er ROP, Placer County Office of Education, Auburn CA  
Vicki Moore, Golden Sierra Workforce Investment Board, Auburn CA  
Howard Hupe, Winters Chamber of Commerce, Winters CA

### III. Statement from Public and Visitors

Vicki Moore announced that the Golden Sierra Youth Council is a 5 county consortium, each consisting of different geographic and economic areas. They don't contract outside services. All services are in-house, or are referrals.

Marianne Cartan announced the 49er ROP that encompasses Placer and Nevada Counties.

### IV. Agenda Items

#### A. Present Certificate of Appreciation to Barbara French

Ronda presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Barbara French who started with the committee before it became the YYOC.

Barbara expressed that she will miss attending the meetings. She is also not certain if the YYOC will have a replacement for her due to the budget cuts.

Barbara announced that Sara Long and Erin Delacy of Woodland High School received their Work Ready Certificates at the WIB Meeting May 13, 2003.

**B. Recognize Work Ready Certificate Recipients**

Ronda announced that 10 Davis Senior High School students, 13 Winters High School students, and 2 Woodland High School students, and 1 King High School student received Work Ready Certificates this year.

The following WRCs were awarded:

Gayle Bryner with King High School, Davis CA introduced Victoria Jara.

Vicki Rich with Davis Senior High School introduced:

Rateba Abaelhawa

Jessica Bell

Alison Cody

Steven Daubert who is interested in medicine and technology

Alan Jennings who will attend Stanford University in the fall

Ben Johnson

Lauren Hughes

Davis Senior High School students receiving the WRC but not in attendance were:

Justin Buck and Sarah Kakwani

Howard Hupe, Dianne Grimard, and Karen Benson announced that several students created their portfolios in English class, others created transition portfolios. Winters High School students introduced:

Rodrigo Alvarez

Margaret Brewer

Ramiro Cardona

Rigo Garcia

Jessica Svozil

Joseph Withnell-Cooper

Maggie Brewer reported that the portfolio and cover letter were the same used for scholarship applications. Students were required to verify 90% attendance, their GPA (grade point average), positive behavior, computer literacy and obtain three letters of recommendation in order to qualify for the Work Ready Certificate.

Winters High School students receiving the WRC but not in attendance were:

Victoria Montiel

Juan Zaragoza

Jenny McDowell

Stephanie Carbahal

Melanie Stocking

Kelsey Todd

**C. Minutes of March 18, 2003 was moved to the July 15, 2003 meeting as there was no quorum present.**

**D. Revision to November 19, 2002 Minutes was moved to the July 15, 2003 meeting as there was no quorum present.**

**E. Additions/Deletions/Reallocation of Time**

O. Members – Sub-Committee Membership was deleted. Those present and able to provide a report will do so under Announcements.

**F. Legislative Update**

Ron Piña reported on the May Revision. ROP and CALCP lobbied with Birdsall, Wasco, & Associates for education issues. There is no block grant legislation now. ROP may be cut by a percentage but won't go to block grants.

There is no information on WIA at this time.

Carl Perkins funding is available for one more year.

**G. Announcements**

Barbara French announced that the Career Path Coordinator position has been eliminated at Woodland High School. Barbara has worked with the Woodland Chamber Business Education Committee, Teens Supporting Teens, and the Work Ready Certificate. She does not know who, if anyone will work in the same capacity after her retirement this year.

Gayle Bryner, Martin Luther King High, Davis CA, announced that Davis Rotary sponsors the "Student of the Month" and School-to-Work activities go toward earning 5 credits required in career education.

Angelica Saragoza, Youth Employment Opportunity Program, helps youth to get jobs. There are no funds for paid work experience but they assist with providing career information, producing résumés, and participate in Career Fairs.

Blanca Barba announced that CHDC has assisted 23 farm worker youth. 17 received paid work experience. And all attended the GED programs. This program has been extended to the summer.

Jasmine Smith announced that Yolo Connections Volunteer Connection is getting the High 5 Award for Teens Supporting Teens. The High 5 Award is sponsored by the City of Woodland and Yolo County Supervisor Frank Sieferman. The Volunteer Connection is coordinating the Career Fair taking place Thursday at River City High School.

Ron Piña stated that River City High School, Woodland High School, Chevron, and the Port of Sacramento are renewing the contract for Swainson Hawk next year.

Sandy Johnson, Department of Rehabilitation, assists with employment for those with disabilities. They currently serve 10 River City High School students, 4 Woodland High School students, and some from Davis. For those students who aren't able to get to the job club, they hire a developer and coach and provide training.

Susan Purcell, Work Ability, WJUSD, stated they are required to provide follow-up on students who participated in their program for 1 and 2 years. Work Ability calls and asks personal questions such as are they working, married, have children? This is done to verify what help the high school provided and is used to restructure the program as needed.

Karen Quintanilla, Migrant Education, assists migratory farm labor ages 3 to 21. They provide out of school services, health & welfare services, and parental training.

Vicki Rich announced that Bank of America, P.G. & E., Jim Becket, Davis Farmers Market, and YCOE served on the WRC interview panel at Davis Senior High School. The students expressed appreciation for the feedback on the WRC interviews.

Steven Daubert found the WRC process interesting and appreciates input from the adults.

Ronda announced the Youth Cultural Competence Seminar taking place June 4 in Ontario and June 5 in Oakland for those who are interested.

**H. CS<sup>2</sup> Update – held over to July 15, 2003 meeting.**

**I. YCDESS Youth Program**

Constance Lucero provided a PowerPoint printout detailing the various programs available to assist youth in Yolo County. Such services include Adolescent Family Life Program, Cal Learn, Adolescent Sibling Pregnancy, services for refugee youth, and Foster Care.

She announced that the two grants provided last year to Winters and CHDC were to assist in providing leadership and mentoring and services to migrant youth.

WIA Youth case managers at YCDESS are Renee Sosa-Golindo, Woodland CA, and Khaalid Muttaqi, West Sacramento CA.

Ronda added that the goal for YYOC next year is to involve the youth from DESS in the Career Youth Conference, get them work ready certified, and serve all youth.

**J. CHDC Update**

Blanca Barba stated that not all funding from their grant was spent. An extension was requested. 68 youth were served and 24 youth transitioned into a year around program.

**K. Winters/Esparto Chamber Partnership**

Karen Benson reported that LEED Sacramento has been resourceful and supportive in setting up various job shadowing opportunities for students. Students had 8 or 9 job shadow opportunities.

The Rotarians in Winters not only provided job shadow opportunities for students, but came together to interview them for the WRCs. Howard Hupe stated that the panel members were bowled over with the students' achievements. They received very positive feedback. The interviews provided the opportunity to see what businesses and schools can accomplish together.

Dianne Grimard reported that the WRC was streamlined into the Senior Project outline. The chamber has requested that Dianne and Howard look for additional funding to continue.

**L. May is "Safe Jobs for Youth Month"**

Robin Dewey stated that "Safe Jobs" is a way to remind people of the importance of safety on the job. A resource packet for teachers was provided. They include ideas of what teachers can do to raise awareness including a learning activity brochure and information for employers. The handout included information on the poster contest that shows winners from 2000-2001. Robin announced that Davis Senior High School is one of the schools in the running for the write journalism contest that had to be printed on the school newspaper. Additional information can be obtained at [www.youngworkers.org](http://www.youngworkers.org).

**M. Schedule 2003-2004 Meetings**

The calendar could not be approved as there was no quorum.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 15, 2003. Sub-committee chairs meet 2:30 – 3:30. YYOC meets from 3:30 – 5:00 at YCOEs Woodland Conference Room.

The YYOC Retreat is scheduled for August 19 & 20, 2003. Attending the retreat is crucial. This year the YYOC will be looking at the YCDESS WIA mandated services to build the Daisy Wheel.

A grant writing committee will be organized and will look at the Rumsey Foundation and other foundations providing grants for youth services.

All Chambers will be invited to share in networking on how to verify all youth are receiving the WRC.

Ron suggested using the first hour of the retreat to clear up prior year business.

Dianne verified that the YYOC Sub-Committees schedule their own meetings. The Sub-Committee Chairs are meeting one hour prior to the YYOC.

**N. Youth Advisory Council Meeting Update**

Dr. Jorge Ayala reported that the meeting was very successful and provided a lot of information and workshops for youth. One student from Yolo County, Alexander Gaither, Washington Unified School District. Two facilitators are on the State Youth Council. The next meeting is scheduled for August. The Advisory Council will continue to meet. As the State Youth Council sees what is available for youth, they are mapping out how to serve “All Youth – One System” and will serve as a resource for youth councils.

**V. Adjournment**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Viola DeVita