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YOLO COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD YOLO YOUTH OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES July 17, 2007

I. Roll Call

The Yolo County Workforce Investment Board Yolo Youth Opportunity Council meeting convened on July 17, 2007 at 3:45 p.m. at the Yolo County Office of Education, 1280 Santa Anita Court, Woodland, California with the following people attending:

Present: **Ronda Adams**, Kim Bradley, **Pam Duey**, Linda Christopher-Miles, Oscar Contreras, Lamar Heystek, Connie Gomez, **Gayle McLevich**, **Lori Perez**, **Panna Putnam**, **Karen Quintanilla**, Deanna Stark, Rogelio Villagrana and Cathie Wicks

Absent: Angela Angel, Debbie Carrion, Susan Cassady, **Theresa Cordero**, **Marcia Corrigan**, Yasmine DeAnda, **Estella De La Torre**, **Alejandra Diaz**, **John Eldred**, **Michael Gangitano**, **Jessica Larsen**, **Tom Lawson**, Liliana Martin, **Michele Moore**, **Judy Needham**, **Roberta Paul**, **Ron Piña**, Tanya Provencher, **Susan Purcell**, **Danya Ramirez**, Mary Renteria, **Vicki Rich**, Vania Sanchez, Judy Simas **Yu-Hsuan Shih**, and **Diane Watrous**

Staff: Viola DeVita

No Quorum

II. Welcome and Introductions

Introductions made.

III. Statement from Public and Visitors

No Statement

IV. Agenda Items

A. **Review and Approval March 20, 2007 & May 15, 2007 Meeting Minutes**

Items moved to September 18 meeting due to lack of quorum.

B. **Review and Approval of 07-08 YYOC Meeting Calendar**

Item moved to September 18 meeting due to lack of quorum.

C. **Announcements and Legislative Updates**

- o Ronda Adams – Chair of YYOC for approximately eight years.
- o Viola DeVita – reported on FBCO, collaboration with Collings West Teen Center and the West Sacramento Chamber's Project Pride, and Disaster Relief Planning with American Red Cross. Invited everyone to attend the FBCO & Disaster Relief Planning Meetings July 19 beginning at 4:00.

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- Maria Rubio – Science Teacher EEC
- Nancy Northrup – Title II Coordinator EEC
- Mathew Gariss, Social Science Teacher EEC
- Marty Dreskin Language Arts Teacher EEC
- Pam Duey and Lizzie with Woodland Veterinary – the Vet Science for Kids starts tomorrow 9-12 for 10 years and older – free. There are week-long classes going on. Due to interest expressed, Viola will send the Woodland Veterinary URL to the YYOC for additional information and permission slips.
- Deanna Stark – YFCU, does financial literacy for junior high and high school. Deanna disseminated business cards for all interested.
- Panna Putnam – YCOE Coordinator of Youth Development. Directing SB70 for middle school and high school. The middle school is a five-county wide grant. The heart of the grant is Real Game. Real Game training will take place on August 14. The video for the Real Game will be made during the training.
- Kim Bradley – Comm College Foundation. One of the contractors for the new 19-21 year old WIA grant. Will let Oscar further explain his position.
- Connie Gomez – YCHA Coordinator. Connie works at six sites in Yolo County. Woodland, Winters, and West Sacramento are the largest with community centers.
- Lamar Heystek, Woodland Coalition for Youth. Meetings are held monthly – the first Wednesday of the month. The next meeting will be held August 1.
- Oscar Contreras – new case manger for the Community College Foundation – his office is at YFRC. The target population is 19-21 year olds. Oscar asked for referrals. Oscar will come onto the site and interview the 19 year old youth (such as EEC students).
- Rogelio Villagrana- Youth Development Coordinator for Woodland Coalition for Youth. The Woodland Youth Council meets once a week. Rogelio would like to extend invitations to the West Sacramento Coalition as well.

The Coalition held a community celebration on the 27th last month. 70 were in attendance celebrating the three-year grant from Sierra Health Foundation. Seven coalitions were funded throughout the Sacramento region. They collected data for about nine months and analyzed the data. Rogelio will give the information if anyone is interested.

- Lori Perez – YCOE. Helps support all foster youth throughout Yolo County. If you find someone in need please contact Viola or Lori & Viola will relay message to Lori.
- Gayle Mclevich – Director of Student Services at YCOE which encompasses court and community schools and ROP. Expanding ROP over to EEC. There will be a Fashion Merchandising and hopefully a Stagecraft class. There is the possibility of a Bio-technology class at EEC - without a lab. ROP is offering a Vet Science program, Ag Construction, and Stagecraft class during the summer. Davis has a barnyard theater on Road 31 between Davis and Winters. It starts at 8:30 – beginning this weekend. The play is Gallelaio.

On the Court and Community School side, the enrollment is up in juvenile hall. About 60% of the youth are from Sacramento and Amador counties.

- Linda Christopher-Miles – Along with teaching staff, Linda introduced Anabel Figueroa, EEC Secretary extraordinaire. Anabel will be showing the EEC video with a commercial created by Winters High School students.

Linda also disseminated flyers for the Builders Banquet. Believes Lois Wolk will be there for the ribbon cutting. August 7 is the event. 6:00pm for the tour at the mall and 7:00 pm for the dinner at Woodland Hotel.

YCOE is still fund raising for EEC and looking for community partners and support in funding.

In response to questions regarding EEC:

There will be five teachers – two Bilingual staff at this time. Linda is still interviewing for a Math teacher.

There are 150 students and 13 on the waiting list who have signed contracts. The total number enrolled is 180.

Ronda confirmed that we have an agreement with the districts that if students are on track to graduate, we will not accept their applications because we don't want to compete with the districts. The target is the group of students that have potential to dropping out – severely credit deficient or truant and just not going to school. Also, if the student has an IEP – the IEP team would have to agree that EEC was the right fit for them.

Linda also confirmed that the goal for next year is to pursue transportation issues. She believes that there would be more students from West Sacramento and Davis if we had transportation for them. She has written a variety of small grants and received buss passes for that but it is not sufficient.

Connie asked if Winters youth are coming. Ronda says that Winters does not want EEC to have their youth due to declining enrollment. If the student has already dropped out then they can enroll in EEC. Connie would like information to take to some of the at-risk youth she knows in Winters.

D. Sub Committee Breakouts

No breakouts due to lack of attendance.

E. Sub Committee Updates

No updates.

Next Meeting: September 18, 2007

V. Adjournment

With no further business Dr. Ronda Adams, Chair, adjourned the meeting of the Yolo Youth Opportunity Council at 4:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Viola DeVita