

**YOLO COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD
YOLO YOUTH OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
May 21, 2002**

I. Roll Call

The Yolo County Workforce Investment Board Yolo Youth Opportunity Council meeting convened on May 21, 2002 at 3:30 p.m. at the Yolo County Office of Education, 1240 Harter Avenue, Woodland, California with the following people attending:

Present: Ronda Adams, Lorraine Agtang-Greer, Brenda Arteche, Jennifer Davis, Barbara French, Lee Humes, Jerry Knapp, Doug Krieger, Tom Lawson, Gayle McLevich, Carol Neal, Will Padilla, Isabel Hernandez, Karen Quintanilla, Vicki Rich, Jasmine Smith, and Beverly Taylor

Absent: Jorge Ayala, Chris Blackman, Susan Cassady, Mike Challender, Maria Chavez, Dianne Grimard, Christine Hartman, Susan Knadle, Mel Losoya, John Merris-Coots, Ron Piña, Susan Purcell, Panna Putnam, Matt Read, David Serena, Judy Simas, Cassandra Schantz, Angelica Saragoza, Elizabeth Siracusa, Lisa Tadlock, and Melinda Waring,

Staff: Doug Gutaw, Viola DeVita, Kerry Gibson

II. Welcome and Introductions

Camille Smith and Karen Humphrey, California Department of Education.

Jake and Anabel with Gary Sandy Communications.

Amy Groven, Reya Winder, and Chris Calori, Davis Senior High School.

III. Statement from Public and Visitors

Karen Quintanilla announced that a reception would be held in Woodland Joint Unified School District's Board Room on May 30, 2002 from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. The State Department of Migrant Education has produced a video called Hidden Gold that will be shown.

Jerry Knapp announced that he and Bruce Watts co-chair the Woodland Chamber Bus./Ed. Committee. To date they have held three meetings. Their mission statement is: "The Woodland Chamber Bus./Ed. Committee will act as a catalyst between business and education to prepare a work ready community."

IV. Agenda Items

A. Minutes of March 19, 2002 meeting

Doug Gutaw noted item E should be clarified to state the Workforce Investment Plan would be finalized at the WIB meeting of March 28, 2002.

In response to item I, it was noted that the WIB wrote a letter to Yolo County Office of Education's Superintendent, Jorge O. Ayala and the YCOE Board to look into the question of whether or not the Children's Alliance is being duplicated. The WIB is asking agencies to coordinate.

B. Additions/Deletions/Reallocation of Time

WRC Presentations were added to the beginning of the agenda.

WRC Presentations:

Jerry Knapp and Doug Krieger presented a Work Ready Certificates to Amy Groven, Reya Winder, and Chris Calori of Davis Senior High School.

Amy is a volunteer for ACES and the National Organization for Women. She has received the Golden Heart Award. Amy's plans for the future include graduating from high school this year. She will attend Sac City College and plans to transfer to UC Davis. Areas of study will be English and Psychology. Amy believes the problems students faced in applying for the Work Ready Certificate were the fact they didn't know about it and it required additional effort to obtain the signatures and letters required to qualify for the certificate. She believes that explaining to students what opportunities are opened to them if they have the WRC will help in increasing the number of applicants.

Reya is known for peer helping and her warm and friendly attitude. She is also an accomplished fast-pitch player. Reya will graduate ½ a year early, then take classes at Sac City College and study the culinary field. She has already interviewed with Café Italia. Reya believes the Work Ready Certificate will help in the future. It is time consuming to type, review, and retype. She believes some students are reluctant to apply because they don't want other students to see their grade point average. Also, 90% attendance is hard to achieve. Reya believes more advertising and word of mouth about the WRC will help in increasing the number of applicants.

Chris is a Teachers Aide and Assistant at the Yolo Regional Occupational Programs Educated Eatery. His plans are to graduate from high school and attend Sac City College. He may continue on in the culinary field as well.

C. WIA Youth Policy Committee Disband

Will Padilla reported that the WIA Youth Policy Committee disband. The broad areas developed in YCDESS and the Resource Mapping come to the YYOC and then to the WIB.

Lee Humes and Tom Lawson agree that the WIB and Youth Council should have committees with outside input. The WIB is designed to coordinate all services with all agencies on all levels. There will be a meeting May 23, 2002 to review collaboration

committees and standards and certification committees. A suggestion was made to add the review of the resource mapping committee's vision.

D. Virtual Job Shadow

This initiative allows students anywhere in the country with access to the Internet to shadow working professionals online. It is primarily targeted for students that are not able to go out on a "real" job shadow event.

E. YYOC Strategic Planning Retreat

Eight people expressed interest in the retreat at the Youth Council meeting. The retreat is tentatively scheduled for August 19, 2002 in West Sacramento and August 20, 2002 at Yolo County Office of Education 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

F. Members – Sub Committee Membership

Lorraine Agtang-Greer provided a Resource mapping Committee (RMC) report. Discussion revolved around resources for youth and how to measure services.

G. CS² Update

The Entrepreneurs are preparing their electronic quarterly report at this time.

H. United Way Program Proposal

A copy of the United Way Program Proposal was disseminated. For more information contact Mary Jo Bryan, Executive Director of Yolo Connections, Inc.

I. Larimer County Workforce Center

A handout from the Larimer County Workforce Center was included in the YYOC packet. It provided local definitions for WIA Youth services provided in Larimer County, Colorado.

J. Youth Connections West

The volume 2 issue 6, April 2002 issue of Youth Connection West entitled "Networking Youth Today Office of Youth Services" was provided in the YYOC packet.

K. Legislative Update

Ron Piña's e-mail providing information on the Information Technology Academy Grant Initiative (AB 717) and Industry-Based Certification Incentive Grant Programs (AB 1018) was distributed.

L. Resignation

Lisa Tadlock has formally resigned from the YYOC but requests to be kept on the mailing list.

M. Schedule 2002 – 2003 Meetings

Meetings will continue to be scheduled from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. the 3rd Tuesday of each month as follows:

June 18, 2002 ~ Sub Committees RMC will meet at DESS and the YCOE Washington and Woodland Conference Rooms are available.

July 16, 2002 ~ YYOC – Y COE Washington Conference Room.

August 19 & 20, 2002 ~ YYOC Survey Retreat. YCOE Woodland Conference Room available.

September 17, 2002 ~ YYOC – YCOE Washington Conference Room.

October 15, 2002 ~ Sub Committees – YCOE Washington and Davis Conference Rooms available.

November 19, 2002 ~ YYOC – YCOE Washington Conference Room.

December 17, 2002 ~ Sub Committees – YCOE Washington and Davis Conference Rooms available.

January 21, 2003 ~ YYOC – YCOE Washington Conference Room.

February 18, 2003 ~ Sub Committees – YCOE Washington and Woodland Conference Rooms available.

March 18, 2003 ~ YYOC – YCOE Washington Conference Room.

April 15, 2003 ~ Sub Committees – YCOE Washington and Davis Conference Rooms available.

May 20, 2003 ~ YYOC – YCOE Washington Conference Room.

June 17, 2003 ~ Sub Committees – YCOE Washington and Davis Conference Rooms available.

V. Adjournment

With no further business the Chair adjourned the meeting of the Yolo Youth Opportunity Council at 5:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Viola DeVita