



Pima County
Workforce Investment Board

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Youth Council

Tuesday, February 11, 2014 – 3:30 p.m.

Tucson Youth Development, Inc.
1901 N. Stone Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85705

MEETING MINUTES

<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>	<u>Pima County Staff, Partners & Guests Present</u>
Deborah Dixon	Fran Embrey-Senechal	Charles Casey
Johanna Duffek	Amanda Kucich	Anna M. Cunes
Daphanie Conner	Steve Ramirez	Michael Gates
Vaughn Croft, Chair	James Zarling	Dana Katbah
Liz Gulick		Linda Reyes
Bill Marquez		Joe Romano

- I. Call to Order – 3:40 p.m., Vaughn E. Croft
- II. Opening and Introductions – Vaughn E. Croft
- III. Action Item: To review previous Meeting Summary – Reviewed.
- IV. Discussion on Logistics Career Expo
 - A. Expo Date and Location – New date, April 30 and still at Port of Tucson (was scheduled for Wednesday, April 2, 2014). MaryAnn mentioned that Sunnyside and other districts may be on spring break during week of 04/21/14.
 - B. The Port is planning their own Logistics Expo on the same day as Youth Expo. Stefan is very confident that his participants will be willing to participate with 3 p.m. Youth Expo. Stefan has began planning and promoting their Logistics Expo.
 - C. Youth Expo Agenda – Agenda emailed to Council Members on 02/04/14. Switch Engine ride to “Dog Bone” area. Charles Casey and Dana Katbah will look into bus rides with Transportation and Risk Management.
 - D. Youth Expo Promoting – Linda Reyes, Tucson Youth Development, Inc. and Youth Expo Registrar, will create flyer. Youth Council members encouraged to recruit youth.
 - E. Youth Expo “Youth Passport” – Dana Katbah will handle.
 - F. Youth Expo “Photo Release” and “Permission to Ride” Form – Dana will create one form that will cover both needs.
 - G. Youth Expo “Exhibitors” - suggestions included trucking industry, Fed Ex.

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H. Youth Expo Set Up and Tasks – may be able to share table and chair costs with the Port of Tucson.

V. Announcements

- A. Johanna Duffek announced that the Metropolitan Education Commission event had 50 exhibitors. 590 youth had signed up and 460 showed. Event was at UA Student Ballroom. It was a good day. All Pima County schools, grades 9 to 12, were invited. Each school had approximately 20 to 50 youth per school who enjoyed UA tours and lunch and met with exhibitors. Exhibitors gave positive feedback.
- B. Michael Gates, Las Artes Arts & Education, announced that the first test with the new, online GED course is scheduled for March 13, 2014. They are encouraging secondary education.
- C. Arnold Palacios, Tucson Youth Development, Inc., also preparing for new, online GED courses and tests.
- D. Dana Katbah announced that March 14, 2014 is the deadline for the Summer Youth Program applications. 2,000 received as of today. The slight increase in minimum wage will lower the number of youth to be hired but number of youth to be hired may still be close to the 2013 number. Dana working with Jim Mize on a project to get more employers involved this year and asking employers to work closer with the youth by providing mentors, goals and providing more skill learning opportunities. Dana still needs students who can be interviewed to help improve the program for 2014.
- E. MaryAnn Phininzy announced that this Thursday, 02/13/14, 4 to 7 pm, is Youth Career Day at PCC, Downtown Campus. Staff preparing for new, online GED courses.
- F. Charles Casey announced WIB Meeting on Friday, 02/14/14, 7:30 a.m., Universal Avionics Systems Corporation.
- G. Charles Casey announced Poverty Panel and Presentation at Fox Theatre, Wednesday, 02/12/14. MPR Host.
- H. Joe Romano invited the Council to their Annual Rodeo BBQ on February 20, 2014, 11 a.m., at Fred Acosta Job Corps.

VI. Miscellaneous

- A. Vaughn showed the Council two Citrus College videos that he saw at a recent conference. The first, was about technical and other fields. Council discussed how/why some students can or can not graduate from a high school or vocational school. Arnold Palacios has the online video available if anyone would like to view or share it and the video links will be emailed to Council members. Johanna Duffek suggests that the video be shared with Justin Williams, Startup Tucson.
- B. Second video about engineer who had snow boarding accident and lost a leg. He invented and manufactured something to help him race his bike and to snow board again. Through manufacturing, Mike is changing and improving others' lives.

VII. Adjournment – 4:50 p.m.

VIII. Next Meeting: March 11, 2014

Statement of Purpose: The Youth Council shall establish and maintain reciprocal partnerships with employers and youth service organizations to transition youth into successful contributing members of the community.

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