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MEETING OF THE PIMA COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD (WIB)

Youth Council

Tuesday, November 13, 2018
3:30 to 5 p.m.

ARIZONA@WORK Pima County One-Stop Youth Employment Center
City of Tucson Resource Center, Sentinel Building, 2nd Floor
320 North Commerce Park Loop, Tucson, AZ 85745

Meeting Summary

Members Present

Dr. Vaughn E. Croft, Chair
Mike Rohrbach
John Vasquez Bedoy
Cassie Lundin
Eddie Saavedra
Daphanie Conner
Andrew Bevington

Members Absent

Deborah A. Dixon	Nathan Bacal
Liz Gulick	Jim Zarling
Blanca Duran	Helena Martinez
Linda Reyes	Marji Morris
Karen King	Jay Slauter
Veronica Ochoa	Ed Nossem
Johanna Duffek	Ryan Sermon
Byron Christopher	Eddie Valdez
Ed Dummitt	Danielle Duarte

Guests Present

Enrique Feldman, Global Learning Foundation and Music, Art, & Culture Advisor
Debbie Wagner, Boys and Girls Clubs of Tucson
Anna M. Cunes

- I. **Called to Order:** Dr. Vaughn E. Croft, Chair, 3:38 p.m.
- II. **Action Item:** To Review the 10/09/18 WIB “Youth Council” Meeting Summary. The Council members reviewed the 10/09/18 Meeting Summary.
- III. **Welcome and Introductions:** Debbie Wagner, Chief Executive Officer, Boys and Girls Clubs of Tucson (B&GC) introduced herself and said that her office is at the Grant location. The B&GC have 6 locations. Youth participants has dropped about 15% in the past few years. They are working on expanding and creating workforce-

related programs. They serve ages 7 to 17 years old. If a youth is a senior in high school and turns 18 during their senior year, they may continue to be a member. They have a \$20 tuition for the entire school year and charge \$10 per week during the summer. They have scholarships available for youth who want to be a member. Debbie served on the B&GC board of directors for 18 years and now has been an employee for 3 years.

Mike Rohrbach announced that he and his wife were the founding members of the B&GC in Bisbee, Arizona.

Enrique Feldman, Advisor, Music, Art, & Culture introduced himself and said that he was the past University of Arizona Band Director, worked with a Head Start program, and is currently on the Advisory Board for the Creative Communication Learning Advisory Council (CCLAC) that encourages intergenerational learning of individuals who recognize the importance of today's new era in intergenerational communication.

As we are moving more to digital literacy, the CCLAC's most important current focus and program is one to benefit youth and elderly. The program provides elderly with an opportunity to learn from the youth about how to use the digital world in exchange for the youth to learn from the elderly about the importance of and how to use communication and soft skills.

Andrew Bevington, Pima County School Superintendent's Office, announced the Sierra Middle School Art Show scheduled for 11/15/18, 5 to 7 p.m. that will include a steele drums performance and catering by the Catalina High Magnet School JTED Culinary Arts students. Barbara LaWall will be a guest speaker. The Superintendent's Office makes sure that school teachers get paid, manages the STEMAZing program, provides professional development for teachers, and they work with the Pima County JTED programs. The Superintendent appoints the Chair for each of the Pima County school boards.

Dr. Vaughn E. Croft reported that he went to the Construction Career Days and he spoke to a lady from Challenger Middle School who said that she appreciates the Career Shadow Days that the Pima County School Superintendent's Office coordinates.

Daphanie Conner, Program Manager, Youth Employment Center, reported that Youth Center staff are reviewing the current One-Stop service providers' performance to make sure they are on track with performance measures.

Dr. Vaughn E. Croft suggested that the Youth Council may want to schedule a Youth Career Expo at a U.S. Customs and Border Protection location.

Eddie Saavedra, Youth Community Services Manager, reported that he also attended the Construction Career Days event and said the One-Stop system does

need to continue to support the Construction Industry to help address their workforce needs.

John Vasquez-Bedoy, Workforce Unit Coordinator, Las Artes, Arts and Education Center, announced that Las Artes students are currently gaining work experience while working on re-doing the Lalo Guerrero tile artwork that is at what used to be Drachman Elementary School.

Anna M. Cunes, Administrative Support Specialist-Senior, Pima County WIB, reminded the Council that there is still a vacancy under the “Local Public Housing Authorities” category and notified the Council that Veronica Ochoa will probably not be returning to the Council due to recent back surgery.

- IV. Justice System Career Expo – February 13, 2019:** Dr. Vaughn E. Croft provided his proposed overview of the schedule, breakout activities, tours, and the employers who may participate. The Expos are normally being offered to in-school youth ages 14-21 and out-of-school youth/young adults ages 16-24 who seek support in developing educational and career pathways.
- V. Pima County WIB Annual Appreciation Meeting – December 14, 2018:** Dr. Vaughn E. Croft, had a discussion with Arnold Palacios, Director, Pima County CSET about the WIB “Youth Council” 2018 Outstanding Youth and Employer Awards and Arnold confirmed that the Awards may be presented during the WIB Annual Meeting as in the past.
- VI. United Way of Tucson and Southern Arizona “2018 Days of Caring” – Saturday, October 20, 2018:** Dr. Vaughn E. Croft reported that there was a low response from the Youth Council members, and the One-Stop Partners and service providers. The volunteers who did participate enjoyed their projects and the organizations were pleased to have the Council’s participation.
- VII. Next Meeting:** Tuesday, December 11, 2018, B&GC, East Grant Road.
- VIII. Adjourned:** 4:58 p.m.