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## Virtual Meeting of the Pima County Workforce Investment Board (“WIB”) Youth Council

**Tuesday, February 9, 2021**

**3:30 to 5 p.m.**

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### Meeting Minutes

#### **Members Present**

Dr. Vaughn E. Croft, Chair	Jim Zarlring
Gina Pleas	Robert M. Ramirez
Liz Gulick	Deborah A. Dixon
Maria Mercado	Andrew Bevington
Karen King	Gina Pleas – telephone
Mike Rohrbach	Daphanie Conner
Monica Amaya	

#### **Members Absent**

Ryan Sermon  
Byron Christopher  
Eddie Valdez  
Edward Dummitt  
Johanna Duffek  
Helena Martinez

#### **Guests Present**

Anna M. Cunes	Marcelino Flores
Lisa Wood-Hromidko	Eddie Saavedra
John Farrell	Cassie Lundin
Georgina Valencia	Maria Suarez

- I. **Called to Order, Welcome, and Introductions:** Dr. Vaughn E. Croft, Chair, 3:37 p.m.
- II. **Action Item:** To approve the 01/12/2021 WIB Youth Council Meeting Minutes. Monica Amaya motioned to approve; Liz Gulick seconded the motion; and all were in favor.
- III. **Junior Achievement of Arizona (“JA”) “JA Inspire Virtual Statewide Career Exploration”:** Carolyn R. Gorst, Development Officer-Southern District, JA, presented this online virtual event that runs 04/27/2021 to 07/26/2021, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. This is a full state partnership. Eddie Saavedra said Pima County needs to work closer with JA. Organizations do not need to pay in order to participate. Pima College would like to be a part of the virtual event and Robert Ramirez will contact Carolyn. The target age group is middle school students in grade 6 to 8. Booth vendors are paid sponsors, state-wide, so the event may be offered free to students.

Karen King asked how much a booth vendor would need to pay to participate and Carolyn replied that there are complimentary booths for essential youth service providers and prices can be negotiated for anyone interested.

Andrew Bevington said the Superintendent's Office Career Shadow Students will be joining this event.

**IV. Tucson Indian Center Virtual "31<sup>st</sup> Diversity Career Expo":** Rose Grijalva, Social Services Director, Tucson Indian Center

Anna emailed the "Save the date!" post card/flyer and Rose will provide the flyer with the registration information to Anna who will forward to the WIB Youth Council.

Jim Zarling asked who the target audience is and Rose replied that there is no minimum age limit other than for those who are old enough to be hired.

Maria Suarez said the Youth Employment Center hasn't hosted events recently.

**V. Spring 2021 Expo: Vaughn asked how the Youth Council members feel about moving forward with this virtual event.**

Liz Gulick recommended that the Youth Council not schedule an additional virtual Career Fair because of these two already scheduled events.

Jim Zarling also recommended that the Youth Council should seriously consider partnering with the JA and TIC virtual events and not schedule their own Spring 2021 virtual event.

Mike Rohrbach said since we may be virtual until August 2021, he recommended that the Youth Council host a virtual event in the Summer rather than in the Spring.

Vaughn asked Anna for her input and she replied that it would make more sense to join and partner an existing virtual event rather than ADD one.

This is a good opportunity for the Youth Council to support the Planning Committee's efforts to meet Technology requirements that benefit One-Stop clients.

Jim Zarling motioned to reschedule the Spring 2021 event to a Summer 2021 event and to promote both virtual events; Liz Gulick seconded the motion; and all were in favor.

Gina Pleas "yay" by phone.

**VI. ARIZONA@WORK Pima County One-Stop Staff Report:** Daphanie Conner, Youth Services Program Manager, Pima County One-Stop Youth Employment Center – no report.

**VII. Next Meeting:** March 9, 2021, 3:30 p.m., virtual

**VIII. Adjourned:** 4:38 p.m.



*Happy Valentine's Day*

