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Public Notice of virtual Meeting of the Pima County Workforce Investment Board (“WIB”) Youth Council Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Pima County Youth Council and to the general public that the Youth Council will hold a virtual meeting open to the public on

Tuesday, August 9, 3:30pm to 4:30pm

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Agenda

<u>Members Present</u>	Aaron Ball	Deborah Dixon	Jim Zarling	Jenifer Preston
	Robert Ramirez	Liz Gulick	Daryl Finrock	
<u>Guests Present</u>	Daphanie Conner	John Farrell	Chula Robertson	Maria Suarez
	Lisa Wood-Hromidko	Ed Nossem	Gabe Loyola	Adrienne Jones

- I. **Call to Order and Welcome** Aaron Ball, Center for the Future of Arizona, called to order 3:36pm. Aaron welcomed everyone to the meeting and let everyone know that he was filling in for Vaughn this afternoon.
- II. **Review, Discussion & Action:** To approve May [meeting minutes](#). *Motioned. Second. Vote- approved*
- III. **Review, Discussion & Action:** To approve March [meeting minutes](#). *Motioned. Second. Vote- approved*
- IV. **ARIZONA@WORK Pima County One-Stop Youth Employment Center:** Daphanie Conner, Youth Program Manager, Daphanie reported to the council that the they exceeded all WIOA Youth performance measures, they are wrapping up with summer, and just finished a back to school supply drive with over 250 backpacks collected throughout the community
- V. **Presentation and Discussion:** Apprenticeship Opportunities for Youth in Pima County, Pima Community College, Adrienne Jones – presented apprenticeship programs at Pima College for individuals 18 years old and older. Anticipates that there may be more opportunities for youth in a boot camp.

Lisa asked about boot camps and developing a pipeline of youth through CTE as pre-apprenticeship boot camps. Adrienne stated they are trying to develop those opportunities to allow youth to explore various trades and if interested enter into a pre—apprenticeship/registered apprenticeships. However due to insurances, individuals under 18 are not able to participate in a boot camp.



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Ed asked where PCC gets the funding. Adrienne explained that they are using other funding sources including H1B. Robert stated that they are working on putting together a career exploration opportunity to connect youth to jobs and better prepare the youth for these employment opportunities. Robert stated that this includes entry-level certificates like OSHA 10, etc.

Robert shared that there are many updates at the college and is looking at exposing youth to the centers through walk throws and getting them excited about these opportunities when they complete their high school diploma.

Aaron asked about other apprenticeships. Adrienne stated that they are working on a culinary program now that they have an employer sponsor. Adrienne also stated that they have plumbers, machining, HVAC, electrician, automotive and more. Adrienne did state that they are limited based on employer sponsorships.

Jim stated that the apprenticeship is a great opportunity for youth to see and get exposure to the trades. Jim stated that youth from One Stop and Job Corps they have had a lot of success. Unions not attractive in AZ as it is a right to work state and does not really have good local representation in most trades in the area. Jim stated that he is not opposed to unions, but not all can go through a union for an apprenticeship.

Jim asked about the cost to the employer for an apprenticeship program. Jim also asked about the attendance level of those who are interested in participating in the apprenticeship. Adrienne stated that they only allow 12 per boot camp. PCC sponsors as non-joint entity so the apprenticeship at PCC is an alternative to unions. Adrienne stated that there is no cost for Adrienne's services, the cost involved are the wages for the apprentice and the tuition costs for the classes. Students are eligible to apply for scholarships as well as other grants, which cuts the cost to the employer. Employers also sign off that they are working with the registered apprenticeship through DOL.

Adrienne also shared that PCC has changed the way they do basic construction courses that include an online component and labs. This helps employers and students with additional flexibility with a work and school schedule. This has increased the retention of the student and as an employee.

Aaron thanked Adrienne and Robert for presenting and shared that apprenticeships are the hot topic and that community colleges around the country are stepping in to offer more opportunities for apprenticeships, especially as the sponsor to complete all of the paperwork.

Adrienne also shared that she is also responsible for the recruitment efforts of the apprenticeships at PCC.

VI. Call to the Public

Robert stated that the Young Adult Re-entry Program with Goodwill, and youth are starting to come out now that the pandemic restrictions are lifting, and encouraged all to refer to him with job support and training opportunities to help these students re-engage in employment, training and education.

Adrienne shared her email in the chat Ajones105@pima.edu



Ed shared about the Youth Career Expo on October 26 at the Kino Event Center and asked about getting more vendors for the expo. Ed shared updates on confirmed vendors and asked for youth council support in sending more to him at Edward.Nossem@pima.gov Ed stated that he would start contacting the schools in the coming weeks to start the registration process for the event.

John shared that PCC will host activities on the weekend to support students who may not have the ability to attend throughout the workweek. <https://www.pima.edu/news/announcements/202207-14-super-saturdays.html>

Maria stated that they are starting the job fairs and only 68 participants in attendance. Employers were excited and happy with the turn out, but Maria stated that they are not at the level they had been in the past.

Liz shared that the YARP program at the end should have 115 participants and they are recruiting. Liz shared that they wrapped up the summer program and started their new year July 1st.

Aaron shared that he is working with Andrew Bevington on connecting youth into a job with low barriers to connect to employment through Cycle Breakers.

Jim thanked Aaron for chairing the meeting and shouted out to Liz and Goodwill for the great job they do. Jim stated that Job Corps is having the annual signing day for students to attend Job Corps and enter into the program. Hon. Raul Grijalva will be the guest speaker and Jim will be the business speaker at the event.

Aaron shared the next meeting dates and the Save the Date for Youth Career Expo.

VII. Adjourn

Next meeting September 13, 2022

SAVE THE DATE: Youth Career Expo Wednesday, October 26, 1pm to 4pm

