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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, March 8, 2022, 3:30pm to 4:30pm MST**

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<b>Members Present</b>	Dr. Vaughn Croft	Robert Ramirez
Daryl Finrock	Karen King	Liz Gulick
Mary Mercado	Jim Zarling	Ramon Gaanderse
<b>Guests Present</b>	Daphanie Conner	Ed Nossem
Sumaya Frick	John Ferrell	Maria Suarez
Tiffany Jones	Lisa Wood-Hromidko	Anna Cunes

### Minutes Agenda

- I. **Call to Order and Welcome:** Dr. Vaughn Croft, Chair, 3:32pm
- II. **Youth Council Members & Guests:** Name and Organization – Members and guests reported updates

Daphanie reported that the county is currently recruiting for the 2022 Summer Youth Employment Program

Daryl Finrock reported about the AZ Pipeline and that SWG is recruiting open positions

Ed Nossem – reported about the PCC & CWD partnership and the collaboration between the college and the county. Survey for the next youth career expo and will talk about that later

Dr. Sumaya Frick – currently in the recruitment phase for her program for next year. Going to D.C. for CTE funding. Just received her doctorate and is now Dr. Frick – doctorate in education policy and leadership from the University of Arizona

John Farrell – at the festival of books all weekend at the PCC table on the UArizona mall; all are welcome and encouraged to stop by and see the Pima College table



Karen King – 150-160 apprentices and just took in a new group. Piloting a virtual group. New property and renovating it to be a state of the art facility. Opportunity is out there for those who want to work or become an industry electrician they are starting interviews for the next cohort in June. New location off of highway drive near Ruthruff.

Liz Gulick – YARP program is kicking off and are working with PCC. In the process of hiring staff and getting ready for summer youth. Everything is going well. Group Supported Employment program and just got through the three year CARF certification.

Maria Suarez – Reported on the Youth Career Expo 2022. Attendees 37 youth, registered 75, 12 youth from a school that was added on to the registration numbers for the expo. Didn't track the adults that attended the event. 55 total participants. They have one more certificate and will need to verify that the internship scholarships have been received/picked up yet.

Youth Expo Discussion:

Very impressed with presentations during the expo.

Lisa – felt that the prizes and opportunity went well, technology was straight on and went without a hitch

Maria – perhaps the time isn't working for the students

Ed – presentations were good, Patrick did a great job being the MC for the event; date and time getting that down and how to move forward

Tiffany – thought it was really good

Mary Mercado – GED prep and Citizenship classes they have a robust refugee education program. 200 refugees registered for classes at PCC. Referred to the college through the sponsoring agencies. Many are coming with good English skills and have degrees who are waiting to be processed for next steps. Mary also shared that the barriers in addition to waiting have been getting passports processed which is costly to the individual (\$1,000)

Ramon Gaanderse – Tucson Asphalt talking about work labor shortages; lack of materials; more work on the streets for the work and not enough materials to do the work; Construction Career days first planning meeting last Friday, getting things going and reviewing mission and goals; unsure about potential impact with schools and transportation the day of the event November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Currently working through the budget and seeking additional partners for the event.

Tiffany Jones – program support specialist at the Youth Center. Working with the Excel Mechanical and matching clients to the internship program

Jim Zarling – no new updates he has been home a lot. Lack of materials effecting all trades at this time including labor force; the Montessori school is short staffed at this time and still recruiting for employees. Parts are six weeks out from being delivered and is a big issue across the industry. Kohler building a warehouse in Casa Grande.

- III. **ARIZONA@WORK Pima County One-Stop Youth Employment Center Report:** Daphanie Conner, Youth Services Manager, Daphanie reported on the current performance measures for WIOA Youth anticipates that all measures will be met or exceeded by June 30, 2022.
- IV. **Discussion and Review:** [Youth Career Expo 2022](#); Youth Career Expo Survey – members reviewed the survey and Cassie will complete the draft google doc for the next meeting
- V. **Call to Public**, no speakers
- VI. **Next Meeting:** April 12, 2022, virtual meeting
- VII. **Adjourn**                    4:45pm

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