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, May 10, 2022, 3:30pm to 4:30pm
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Members Present
Dr. Vaughn Croft
Andrew Bevington
Karen King Jim Zarling
Liz Gulick
Robert Ramirez
Mike Rohrbach Ramon Gaanderse

Minutes
Agenda

I. Call to Order and Welcome: Dr. Vaughn Croft, Chair, 3:35pm

II. Youth Council Members & Guests: Name and Organization – Members and guests reported updates
Cassie introduced the item as an opportunity for members and guests present to talk about their current programs, end of year outcomes, and recruitment efforts for youth programs.

Robert Ramirez, Pima College – Recruiting for CBR and OSHA 10 classes for the summer program. He will forward the information to Cassie regarding recruitment of instructors for the classes. Robert stated that youth programming at the college funded by ARPA funds. AZ on Track summer school program as potential component. Childcare hiring event at DMAFB. Young Adult Re-Entry program with Goodwill. He is also setting up tours with middle school student. Tours at the Downtown and East campuses. Needs additional support with recruiting opportunity youth in the community for various programs. Instructor application https://pima.csod.com/ux/ats/careersite/8/home/requisition/1508?c=pima
OSHA 10 https://ce.pima.edu/catalog/educational-activities-for-ages-9-12-and-13-17/programs/58046359/
CPR & First Aid https://ce.pima.edu/catalog/educational-activities-for-ages-9-12-and-13-17/programs/74668415/
Small Business Development, Entrepreneurship https://ce.pima.edu/catalog/educational-activities-for-ages-9-12-and-13-17/programs/75046597/
All other noncredit youth courses https://ce.pima.edu/youth/

Andrew Bevington, Superintendent of Schools – Starting the Tucson Youth Leadership Academy and just graduated 21 youth from the program. Huge support from local businesses and employers in the county. Justice involved youth, Cycle Breaker, connecting these youth to services like jobs, housing, and other supports. Career Connects with Arizona Center for the Future and Job Shadows. Busy summer with Cycle
Breaker. Serve the 21 youth in Leadership Academy and would like to expand the program however lack the funding to accommodate the volume.

Chula Robertson, Program Coordinator at the Youth One-Stop – Just started Wednesday and introduced herself to the group. Chula comes from the EELS team and before was an instructor at SJEC. Chula is currently learning about the summer youth program and WIOA Youth programs.

Frank Velasquez, Tucson Metro Chamber – New to the chamber with previous experience with Pima College and Job Path. Current role is working towards the workforce goals in the Blue Print from the chamber to ensure that they are on track to meet goals. Working with Arizona Center of Excellence to work with the Southside of the community.

Heather Graham, Tucson Electric Power – getting familiar with various committees as a potential WIB member. TEP role is pipeline and workforce development.

John Farrell, Pima College – wrapping up spring and preparing for graduation, fashion show at west campus this Friday. This year there were changes in roles within the college, focus shifted to subject matter experts getting out into the community. Tracking events and outcomes for those outreach efforts. PCC has really been able to help other departments to get out in the community. Data research department with Children’s Museum, etc. Challenging side is collecting data for the events.

Karen King, Joint Tucson Electrical Apprenticeship – 150 apprentices are entering the interview process for 40 slots to get them started on the electrician apprenticeship pathway. New facility purchased with the hopes to double their enrollment. There is a lot of work available right now and if you have anyone who is interested in electrical work please send her his or her information. It is a great opportunity to learn about the field before making a commitment to the apprenticeship. New location off Ruthruff on Highway Drive.

Liz Gulick, Goodwill Industries of Southern AZ – budgeting and strategic planning right now. Came through pandemic well. Overall, service numbers are down but as they focus on the future, the focus is how to serve all those in the community. New grant for previous Good Futures finding the youth and getting them enrolled has been a challenge. Once youth enrolled and connected with PCC will have positive outcomes. Concerns about not knowing where they are at right now. 10 youth enrolled now but over the course of the grant will serve 115.

Maria Suarez, Summer Youth Program – ready and working hard with the youth team for summer programming.

Jim Zarling, openings in manufacturing, early education, HVAC, and plumbing. Worked with One Stop and Goodwill for employees and have onboarding a few from each agency. There is still a lot of opportunity for employment but cannot find the workers. Life Beyond the Books with Amphi School District community partnership. They get business to come in to meet with the kids and did a financial workshop and has been really successful. Jim will reach out to Vaughn and Sunnyside School District. Highlighted an apprenticeship program with the youth center to get exposure to the field.
Mike Rohrbach, CCLAC – advancements have been made in Sonora. They came to CCLAC as they are suffering from young people not communicated well with adults. Without the infrastructure in place that the young people are starting to feel the impact of isolation. They are entering into agreements with various schools in southern Sonora to train the young people and the young people then train the adult students for digital literacy skills.

Ramon Gaanderse, Tucson Asphalt – Small paving company in Tucson and still looking for workers. Specific paving operations and struggle to find the proper training to develop for their employees and have to go to Phoenix, which is costly and time consuming and takes people away from the field. On the job, training is limited to number of employees at a job site. Working now with JTED and the technology taught is not in local businesses at this time.

Ramon Gaanderse, Construction Career Days – hosting the seventh annual event November 2 and 3. Event is changing to Pima County Main Sports Complex South of the ballpark. Anticipating major growth and planning for the future of that growth. Excited for the increased capacity and that the area is right next to I-10. Goal to raise $92,400 to date they have raised over $64,000 in the first thirty days with sponsors. Want to get all of the schools out there and will have health measures in place and the safety committee is working on that.

III. ARIZONA@WORK Pima County One-Stop Youth Employment Center Report: Daphanie Conner, Youth Services Manager, Daphanie reported that the youth team is very close to meeting all of the performance measures for the program year which ends June 30. Very busy with Summer Youth, 1,252 applied, youth had to have a COVID vaccine, 684 youth served this summer, 305 are placed with agencies, 25 with STEM and JTED, 48 with RWRD, 30 Las Artes, 22 City of Tucson, and the remaining youth are placed in the county’s summer program. Daphanie and Maria talked about the additional programs throughout the year for WIOA youth. Ed reported that April 1,367 calls 301 Employability Skills, 342 site visits, total 1,890 persons served. Daphanie noted that the youth center sees more than the Rio site located in the same complex.

IV. Discussion: Youth Career Expo Fall 2022, Concern about the October 25 date as most were not able to attend as it was during class time. Ed suggested that we look at the past expos to determine how to deliver the expo. Vaughn stated that the expo would be hybrid. In person for ISY for transportation, and need to re-think the virtual component. Still need a venue and to coordinate with the schools.

V. Call to Public, No comments

VI. Next Meeting: June 14, 2022, virtual meeting, Vaughn shared that there will be no meeting in July and will be back in August

VII. Adjourn, 4:44pm