

**GOLDEN SIERRA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD
YOUTH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

Wednesday, July 16, 2014, 3:00 pm

**Auburn Connections
Board Room
1919 Grass Valley Highway, Suite 100
Auburn, CA 95603**

I. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 3:02 pm by C. Nicholson.

The following resignations were announced: Jim Hall & Jim Hegerty

Present: Christina Nicholson, Dori Barrett, Sarah Damerow, Melanie Esque, Diane Ferrari,
Don Huber, Maura Kent, Lucia Nicholson, Tiffany Psomas, Valaine Hoffmann

Absent: Janice Petty

Guests: Dale Van Dam, Lori Hensley, Lorna Magnussen, Ashley Spiegelberg,
Parker Trout

Icebreaker introduction conducted during roll call.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda by Kent, second by L. Nicholson.

Motion approved.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be approved by one blanket motion.

For Approval

A. Approval of Minutes from May 21, 2014 YC meeting

Informational

B. Attendance Log

All items carried over; not available at this time

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT-FOR THOSE ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Psomas announced that this is her last meeting. Also Trout is ending his term as the Youth Resource Clerk.

Ferrair stated that EDD is participating in a Youth Leadership forum. It is a week, long forum held at Sac State that focuses on students with disabilities, specifically in the youth demographic. The Youth Employment Opportunity Specialists from Sacramento will be participating in this event. This event begins on Sunday July 20th. There will also be a luncheon on Thursday the 24th and a speech will take place on the capitol steps. Information and sign ups are available at the Youth Leadership forum website.

Hoffmann stated that on October 17th, Sierra College is sponsoring the *New Day* event that is centered on non-traditional employment for women. High school aged girls are being recruited currently for this event that will begin at the theater with a key note speaker, Shannon Brinius (CBS). There will be a presentation explaining the CTE programs. The attendees will pre-select the programs they wish to attend and will complete a project in each of the programs. The event will conclude with a pizza lunch at the amphitheater and there will be a Golden Sierra Job Training Agency resource table, along with information regarding Sierra College. There was a competition for the t-shirt art this year. The event t-shirt will feature the winning student's art on the front and sponsors' names on the back. Each of the girls will be given a shirt for attending the event and it will be held from 9am to 1pm.

Kent announced that on Saturday, August 16th Deer Creek Farms, in Rocklin is having their Grand Opening from 11am to 6pm. The farm, located at 5465 Pacific Street will feature a high end boutique, a working garden and will be staffed and maintained by young adults. They are looking for adult volunteers to come out and teach life skills. Hoffman offered to have the welding trailer visit the site, to teach welding skills.

C. Nicholson announced that there is a current senate bill, SB 1252 that would allow Transitional Housing Placement Plus participants an extension from 24 months to 36 months. This bill is specifically geared toward young adults that are enrolled in school or vocational training.

Barrett reported that the Independent City event was well attended and very well received. The goal of the event was to demonstrate to foster youth and youth in transition, through role playing what real life housing, education, transportation and employment looks like, in a simulated town.

Golden Sierra is recruiting for a Senior Administrative Clerk position for the Auburn center. The recruitment closes on July 25th. Visit www.goldensierra.com and click on the *Careers* for the job announcement and application.

Whole Person Learning was recently awarded funding to expand the Youth Empowerment Support program. This will create three job opportunities for youth with life experience in child welfare, mental health or probation. The YES program employs youth and allows them to mentor other young people that are entering the system and work on changes within the current programs. Hiring for these openings will begin in October.

V. BOARD DEVELOPMENT

Group discussion regarding a meeting site and a tentative schedule for an offsite meeting on September 17th. (Note:SETA WIB meeting on the same day)

- **9:00 to 11:00 – WIA/WIOA Updates**
- **12:00 to 1:00 – Working Lunch**
- **1:00 to 3:00 – Model for Basic Skills Project**

Volunteers for planning committee: Hoffmann, Kent, both Youth Resource Clerks, C. Nicholson and L. Nicholson

Magnussen will send out the survey, *Side by Side for WIA and WIOA* and a link to the YRC.

VI. YOUTH COUNCIL GOALS & STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Creating a Youth Resource Guide and a Basic Skills Matrix and presenting the progress to WIB at the next meeting. The items that need to take place to complete this project are:

1. Youth Council is working on identifying resources in the community.
2. Golden Sierra is refining the RFQ and sending it out.
3. Expanding the list identified by the Youth Council to increase services in the center.

There was a group discussion about contacting the Office of Education about their youth intervention programs, finding out who the district liaisons are for students that are not passing assessment and collaborating on what services to provide through the centers. Ferrari suggested that the conversations taking place should be captured in a separate agenda, as this part of the meeting is supposed to be an update and is not about solving the problem. C. Nicholson agreed that there should be a separate part of the next meeting on the 17th that focuses on the strategic plan for the Basic Skills Project. Magnussen reiterated that at the 17th planning session, one of the deliverable goals will be to define the Basic Skills Matrix by addressing the basic skills deficiencies. Also, another part of the session should be to define 'who is missing at the table', as a representative of Adult Education.

VII. EVENT(S) & COLLABORATIVE PROJECT(S) UPDATE

VIII. REPORT OUTS

IX. NEW BUSINESS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Friday, October 31st, Combined Job Fair at Sierra College including, Placer County, Golden Sierra and the Youth Council

X. NEXT MEETING – Wednesday, September 17, 2014 - Placerville

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Huber ,second by Kent

Meeting adjourned at 4:45pm.