

**ACTION MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTA ANA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD
YOUTH COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA**

April 16, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

SANTA ANA WORK CENTER
1000 E. SANTA ANA BLVD., SUITE 220
SANTA ANA, CA 92701
5:35 P.M.

ROLL CALL

COMMITTEE MEMBERS Present: PAT CARTER (Chair),
SANDY ANNINO, SANDY BARBA, RUSS BAUER,
MARYANN CONWAY, BARBARA COOPER, SERGIO
DIAZ, DAVID DOBOS, JORGE MARTINEZ, SHAWNA
SMITH , AND PRISCILA ZUNIGA(9)

Absent: CHERYL ALEXANDER, SALVADOR AVILA
ROB CLAUDIO, YVONNE ELIZONDO,
AND ANA JIMENEZ-HAMI (5)

STAFF Present:
FRANCES CADENAS, WIB Administration
FRAN JUTZI, WIB Administration
MARIA LEGER, Recording Secretary

GUESTS Present:
ANTHONY SERRANO, OCYC
GILERICK LOPEZ, OCYC
RALPH JIMENEZ, OCCO
MAYOLA MIRANDA, SSA/CFS
DAVID SALDANA, TALLER SAN JOSE
DEANNA JOHNSTON, O.W.C.F.
ADRI-ANNE RALPH, RYTMO
SERGIO ORTEGA, AGC APPRENTICESHIP
GEOFF HENDERSON, PHOENIX HOUSE
MERCEDES AVIRAD, OCCTAC
RICARDO QUEZADA, SAUSD

PRESENTATIONS

Sean Guthrie and Max Ponce gave a presentation on the Community Service Programs, Inc.'s Project YOW (Youthful Offender Wraparound). This program is funded through the Mental Health Act - Prop. 63. They assist youth between 16 and 25 years of age that have an axis I diagnosis and are on probation. This program is not a walk in program; the clients must be referred by a probation officer, a court, or juvenile hall. This program is completely voluntary. The YOW office is located in Fountain Valley,

near Santa Ana. The site has a recreation room that offers music therapy and a computer room that youth can use for academic support and job search. The office also has a washer and dryer so youth learn how to do their laundry as well as other life skills. Max Ponce is the employment coordinator. Max assesses the youth and develops an employment service plan. Employment services include career exploration, paid work experience and job preparation workshops. All services are free to youth and are available through appointments only. Referral forms and brochures were distributed to the members and visitors.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Approve staff recommendations on the following Consent Calendar items (Item 1 and 2):

MOTION:	Smith	SECOND:	Barba
VOTE:	AYES:	Annino, Barba, Bauer, Carter, Conway, Cooper, Diaz, Dobos, Martinez, Smith and Zuniga (11)	
	NOES:	None (0)	
	ABSTAIN:	None (0)	
	ABSENT:	Avila, Alexander, Claudio, Elizondo, and Jimenez-Hami (5)	

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. MINUTES

Motion: Approve Minutes

Regular Meeting of January 15, 2009

MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATION

2. ABSENCES

Motion: Excuse the absence of following members from the regular meeting of January 15, 2009: Yvonne Elizondo, Ana Jimenez-Hami, and Priscila Zuniga (3)

***** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR *****

BUSINESS CALENDAR

3. **Motion: Approve funding recommendations as presented by the RFP Review Committee.**

David Dobos thanked the RFP Review Committee for a job well done.

MOTION:	Dobos	SECOND:	Barba
VOTE:	AYES:	Annino, Barba, Bauer, Conway, Cooper, Diaz, Dobos, and Zuniga (8)	
	NOES:	None (0)	
	ABSTAIN:	Carter, Diaz, Martinez, and Smith (4)	
	ABSENT:	Avila, Alexander, Claudio, Elizondo, and Jimenez-Hami (5)	

***** END OF BUSINESS CALENDAR *****

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Taller San Jose – David Saldaña shared that all three programs will be graduating together on April 24th. New classes will be starting the first week in May. Shawna Smith said that the affordable housing project in the Logan Neighborhood is ahead of schedule, under budget and well over half way completed.
- b. S.A. Occupational Skills Training – Ralph Jimenez reported that one participant has passed the CASHEE and two others are pending high school diplomas. Several participants have enrolled at Santa Ana College. Conservation Corps is not taking any new enrollments right now. Ralph Jimenez said nine of the twelve graduating this year are from the Santa Ana WIA program.
- c. SUCCESS BOUND/SAUSD/ROP – Ricardo Quezada noted that it is an exciting time for the students. Currently he is reviewing college acceptance letters and financial packets with the students. Some of the students have received revocation letters which is unfortunate. Ricardo is currently working with these youth to get them placed and enrolled elsewhere. The District is waiting CAHSEE results from tests taken last March.

- d. ORANGEWOOD CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION – Deanna Johnston said they are remodeling of their Resource Center, which includes new office space. Also their new database is almost ready, it will assist them with tracking client performance and allow sharing of information among staff.
- e. PROJECT RYTMO – Adri-Anne Ralph said they started new classes this week and they are full to capacity. They have been taking students on field trips to surrounding educational institutes that have music programs. They are also currently working with a gang outreach program and hope to get referrals from them.
- f. ARTS AND LEARNING ACADEMY – Mercedes Avirad said they are working with 12 youth with disabilities on Math and Science requirements and plan to start new training in basic Microsoft Word, Excel and Power Point. Mercedes said they also offer work experience at the Santa Ana Public Library, Mc. Fadden Learning Center or Delhi Center.
- g. ORANGE COUNTY YOUTH COMMISSION – Anthony Serrano said two of their participants are enrolled at Santa Ana College.
- h. ORANGE COUNTY DEPT OF EDUCATION – Not present.
- i. SANTA ANA WORK CENTER – Sandy Barba passed out two different charts, one on enrollments and the other showing the types of industries where youth are working at exit. Sandy was asked to find out what the average wage is for these participants.

Sandy shared information about the SAY program (Santa Ana Youth Employment Program) and an upcoming Youth Job Fair.

COMMENTS

- 4 PUBLIC COMMENTS – None
- 5 STAFF MEMBER COMMENTS – Frances Cadenas said Santa Ana LWIA surpassed all the Youth Common Measures. She distributed the final performance outcomes for Program Year 2007-08 that were recently released by the State of California.
- 6. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS – David Dobos invited Frances Cadenas to be a guest speaker at one of his classes to talk about “At Risk Youth and Workforce Development”.

Priscila Zuniga shared that the Orange County Department of Education will be hosting the World of Work College/Career Fair on May 27th. She invited any of the Youth Council providers to attend or have a booth at this

fair. The Orange County Department of Education is having a fundraiser for the ACCESS program on May 15th.

Pat Carter said that summer school is going to be very limited. Only those students needing remedial assistance will be allowed to attend.

Jorge Martinez thanked the providers for their attendance and adjourned the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT – 7:15 p.m.

Maria Leger
Recording Secretary
Next Meeting: June 18th at 5:30 p.m.