



WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD OF TULARE COUNTY

YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING

March 23, 2021 Minutes

Committee Members Present: Colby Wells-Chair, Galen Quenzer, Mary Alice Escarsega-Fechner, Donnette Silva-Carter, Robert Alcazar

Committee Members Absent: Melodee Krenk

WIB Staff Present: Mary Rodarte, Desiree Landeros, Laura Gonzalez

1. **Call to Order:** Colby Wells – Chair called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m.
2. **Public Comment:** Colby Wells – Chair called for public comments; there were no public comments
3. **Consent Items:**
 - a. Approve November 17, 2020 WIB Youth Committee Meeting Minutes

Motion by Mary Alice Escarsega-Fechner second by Donnette Silva-Carter to approve the Consent Items; carried by unanimous vote.

4. **Information/Discussion Items:**

Desiree mentioned that WIOA eliminated Youth Council requirements; however, DOL encourages Workforce Development Boards (WDB) to establish a standing youth committee. Flexibility in membership-Standing Youth Committee should reflect the needs of local area and must include:

- Members of local WDB as chair
- Community-based organization with record of success
- Other individuals with appropriate expertise and experience

- a. Role of the Youth Committee – The Youth Committee is a standing committee of the WIB to assist in building youth development systems responsive to the local workforce development area's needs.
- b. Focused Conversation with Youth Committee – Filling current and future vacancies on the youth committee.

The Workforce Investment Board is seeking the Youth Committee input in developing the process to seek nominations to fill current and future vacancies for Youth Committee Members. Members resigned and current Youth Committee Members roster was presented.

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Youth Committee reviewed the current committee roster and identified sector gaps. Although the chart illustrated gaps in public assistance, health, parents, and youth. The committee requested expanding members within the business and education sectors.

Committee Members were asked to brainstorm and appoint individuals to serve as members of the Youth Committee.

Youth Committee Members reviewed the Youth Committee Application and Youth Committee Designee Nomination forms.

Youth Committee Application

- Words appointed for experience and expertise
- Make the application more friendly and less governmental
 - Would you like

Youth Committee Designee Nomination

- Use the nomination form for Youth Committee Members to nominate a business or agency
- Replace the following words on the nomination form:
 - Designates and replace with nominee
 - Partner and replace with organization
 - Remove partner program and funding

c. In-School Youth Project Update – As of February 2021

Desiree updated on the High School Partnership Project Achievement and partnering business

Next scheduled meeting TBD.

5. **Good of the Order/Adjourn:** There being no further business; the meeting was adjourned by Colby Wells-Chair at 8:43 a.m.