



Workforce Investment Board of Tulare County

Youth Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 12, 2024; 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

YOUTH COMMITTEE MEMBER PRESENT: Yolanda Valdez (Chair), Mary Alice Escarsega-Fechner, Marie Pinto, Galen Quenzer, Michelle Engle-Silva, Tim Hire, Mike Santos, Kelsey Jones,

YOUTH COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Donnette Silva-Carter

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Yolanda Valdez called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Yolanda Valdez called for public comments; there were no public comments.
3. **CONSENT ITEMS:**
 - a. Approve May 2, 2024, Youth Committee Meeting Minutes.
Motion by Tim Hire, seconded by Marie Pinto, to approve the consent item; carried by unanimous vote.
4. **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**
 - a. Review State and Local Performance and Expenditure Report Card (PY 23-24 Quarter 4) WIOA Youth Services by Subrecipient:

Youth Services Coordinator Desiree Landeros discussed the PY 23-24 Fourth Quarter Report Card for WIOA Youth Services.
 - i. Tulare County Office of Education for Employment and Education (TCOE/SEE) for Area I – Porterville, Lindsay, Strathmore, Terra Bella, and Woodville
 - ii. Community Services Employment Training (CSET) for Area II – Tulare, Earlimart, Pixley, Tipton
 - iii. Community Services Employment Training (CSET) for Area III – Visalia, Goshen
 - iv. Community Services Employment Training (CSET) for Area IV – Dinuba, Cutler, Orosi
 - v. Proteus, Inc. for Area V – Exeter, Farmersville, Ivanhoe, Woodlake, Three Rivers
 - b. Year-End Program Report
 - i. WIOA Programs
 - WIOA Youth Enrollments and Expenditures
 - Work Experiences Enrollments and Expenditures

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- 204-Enrollments
- \$643,139-Enrollments

- Work Experience Primary Businesses
- High School Partnership Updates
 - 134-Enrollments
 - 68 – Work Experiences
- Youth@Work Enrollments
 - Referrals
 - Enrollments
 - Work Experience

- ii. Specialized Programs
 - ETPF – Disconnected Youth & Persons with Disabilities
 - #LEAD - Updates
 - R2Y – Key Results
 - STEP - Updates Jan-June

- c. What's New
 - i. Economic Development Pilot Initiative
 - a. Jump Start Stipends
Provide up to 520 students \$1,000 incentive for completion of 3-4 week Jump Start Program.
 - b. High School Diploma or Equivalency
Provide up to 311 participants with \$500 incentive and testing fees to encourage the completion of HSD or Equivalency.
 - c. Milestones
Provide up to 35 participants with up to \$200 incentives for completion of four milestones.
 - d. Occupational Skills Training
Provide up to 40 RERP participants with \$500 incentive upon completion of industrial training.

 - ii. Jobs for the Future Organization the technical assistance agency for the Equity Target Population grant will be conducting a site visit on October 15, 2024 to provide technical assistance to our youth@work team.

- d. Success Stories
Youth Customer of the Year Video - Margarita Reyna

Next Youth Committee Meeting: Calendar invites will be sent

5. **GOOD OF THE ORDER/ADJOURN:**

Yolanda Valdez-Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:54 AM