

MINUTES
SOUTHERN NEVADA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD
BOARD DEVELOPMENT
YOUTH COUNCIL
Wednesday, April 22, 2009

Members Present

Ken LoBene, Chair
Chanda Cook
Sonja Holloway
Eloiza Martinez
Margarita Rebolal (by phone, hung up before quorum reached)
Dan Rose
LaShae Thomas

Members Absent

F. Travis Buchanan	Dana Wiggins
Kirby Burgess	Tanya Manning
James Chaney	Charles Perry
Bill English	Mujahid Ramadan

Staff Present

John Ball, Executive Director	Kelly Henwood
Rosie Boulware	Sylvia Spencer
Heather DeSart	Tameca Ulmer

Others Present

Erin Cornelius, Big Brothers, Big Sisters
Odalys Carmona, DETR
Denise Gee, HELP of Southern Nevada
Nicholas L. Crutcher, GNJ Family Life Center
Cyndy Ortiz Gustafson, Clark County Committee on Youth
Kathi Thomas-Gibson, City of North Las Vegas
Anthony D. Snowden

(It should be noted that not all attendees may be listed above)

At **1:35** Margarita Rebolal joined the meeting by phone. As a quorum had not yet been reached, at **1:47** Chairmen Ken LoBene and the attending committee members began discussing a handout distributed by staff, "Closing the Graduation Gap" and some of the informational items on the agenda. Staff detailed some of the plans being formulated for summer youth programs that would enable youth to avail themselves of the opportunity for work experience and summer school as opposed to having to make a choice between the two.

John Ball, Executive Director, distributed a handout detailing an ARRA training opportunity presented by attorney, John Chamberlin. The two-day workshop will be given throughout the country though the one in Las Vegas is on May 28th, which conflicts with a SNWIB Board Meeting.

The attending committee members discussed the agenda item: *Discussion and possible action to negotiate and execute Youth Contracts funded with ARRA Youth Stimulus for Caliente Youth Camp (State Department of Children and Family Services) in the amount of \$80,944, Lincoln County in the amount of \$30,000, Spring Mountain Youth Camp (Clark County) in the amount of \$147,580.*

Staff advised that while the committee could not take action due to the lack of a quorum, they could discuss the item and refer it to the SNWIB who will be meeting tomorrow, April 23rd.

At 2:07 Margarita Rebollal, due to inability to hear the meeting and poor reception on the phone, hung up.

Staff gave an update on summer program implementation, distributed a handout detailing the summer youth contracts and discussed the Summer Business Institute application. The application is available here in our office and electronically for who wish to become an employer, mentor or both.

Staff noted that Outreach and Recruitment had begun with the service providers and the response has been good. Eligibility staff is being brought onboard to handle mass eligibility sessions with service providers in the community. Two training sessions for the contractors have been scheduled, April 29th, and May 5th at the Springs Reserve. The sessions contain different information; we will assess where the contractors are and offer them assistance and guidance.

Staff and the attending committee members discussed a PowerPoint handout, *PY 2008 WIA Title I Characteristics Report and Youth Council Report*, which detailed the demographics of the youth programs. Staff noted the report was in response to a request made by Margarita Rebollal. The attending committee members discussed the reports and what the data meant in terms of outreach and the population of clients served.

At 2:38 it was noted that a quorum could not be reached.