

1. Call to Order

Chair Neil Alexander called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

2. Roll Call: Quorum (4)

Present: Patrick Burkhart, Neil Alexander, Tony Maldonado, Rick McCartney

Excused/Absent: Ben Serio

Staff/Guests: Kristen Merser

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes – Action Item

Rick made a motion to approve the minutes from March 24; Tony seconded; approved with corrections.

4. Assistant Director's Report – Possible Action Items**▪ MWC Board Meeting Preview**

Discussions ensued about the Two Year Plan Summary Report, The Youth Council Report, and Full Board action items. A recommendation was made that a healthcare industry representative should join the board.

~ **Expirations/Non-Renewals:** Neil Alexander, Karen Poole

~ **Renewals, Term 2011 – 2013:** Karissa Brnak, Dillon Holmes, Barbara Gallegos, Tina Huff, Tony Maldonado, Rick McCartney, Rodney Pack, Paul Sanders, Benjamin Serio, Marie Sullivan, Karen Thorne, Chevera Trillo

~ **New Members, Term 2011 – 2013 (Bios Linked Below)**

[Yolanda Locher](#): Program Director, Age WORKS Program, Area Agency on Aging

[Christine McKay](#): Economic Development Director, City of Chandler

[Jessica Starr](#): Government Solutions Executive, Manpower

[George Thorne](#): Director of Community Relations, Jobing.com

[Randy Kimmens](#): Director, Center for Workforce Development, MCCC

~ **Officer Nominations, Term 2011 - 2013**

MWC Chair: Rick McCartney, Chair-Elect

MWC Chair-Elect: Kelsie McClendon

MWC Vice Chair: Ben Serio, Vice Chair (Renewal)

~ **Youth Council, Term 2011 - 2013**

[Raphael Mecham](#): Southwest Office of Native American Programs, Public Housing

Karen Poole: MCCC Center for Workforce Development

▪ Other

~ Discussion about review of internal operating processes.

5. Call to the public - No public present**6. Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 9:23 a.m.**

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New Board Member Nominees
Bio Summaries

YOLANDA LOCHER

Age WORKS Program Director

Yolanda Locher is the newly appointed Program Director for the age WORKS Program at the Area Agency on Aging, with the responsibility of continuing to foster useful part time training opportunities for the unemployed and low income persons who are 55 and over.

Yolanda worked for several years in Canada for The Royal Bank of Canada and for National School Services in their Human Resource Departments. After moving back to the United States, Yolanda has worked for two large corporations in the Human Resource Department, the latest being a Human Resource Manager with Silverado Senior Living, and became involved with their Alzheimer's Programs.

Yolanda has been a volunteer and a mentor for homeless children and has recently applied to volunteer with Fresh Start.

CHRISTINE MACKAY

Economic Development Director, City of Chandler

Christine has been with the City of Chandler for the past 13 years as a member of the Economic Development team. During the past five years she has helped located or expand more than 145 companies in Chandler, brought 21,000 jobs, added more than 6 million square feet to the industrial/office base and brought more than \$8.9 billion in capital investment in to the community.

In 2007, Christine was named the Economic Developer of the Year, Large Community, for the State of Arizona by the Arizona Association for Economic Development (AAED). Prior to that, in 2005, Chandler's Economic Development team was named the Arizona "Small Economic Development Organization of the Year" by the same organization. In 2010, Christine was named Leader of the Year in Economic Development–Public Policy by the Arizona Capital Times.

JESSICA H. STARR

Government Solutions Executive, Manpower

Jessica's work for Manpower over the past several years has provided her with a strong working knowledge of the Workforce Investment Act and how the One Stop System interacts with employers and the business community. She has worked with all levels of government and non-profit organizations in creating workforce related partnerships.

Jessica has served as an Ambassador for the Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce, Jobing.com Professional Advisory Council (PAC) member and a Junior Achievement Instructor. She has also served as a volunteer for the Arizona Special Olympics, the Miracle League, Stand Up for Kids, and the Nicholas House – Home Base Youth Services.

GEORGE E. THORNE, JR.

Jobing.com, Director, Community Marketing / Relations

George has more than 35 years experience in positions of increasing responsibility that include being a sole proprietor of a successful wholesale/retail business, human resource management, individual career manager and advisor, technical and vocational instructor, trainer, employer services, business relations coordinator, and state-level employer relations policy specialist.

George has served as a Business Relations Coordinator, Training and Policy Specialist for the State of Arizona, Department of Economic Security, an Employment Services Coordinator (ESC) for one of the largest and busiest Job Service offices in Arizona, and as Employment Services Specialist in the Disabled Veterans' Outreach Program.

He has served on numerous boards including:

Peoria, AZ Chamber of Commerce

Goodwill of Central Arizona Business Advisory Council

Phoenix Job Corps Business Advisory Council

Peoria Unified School District Career Technical Education (CTE) Commission

Arizona Affirmative Action Association (AAAA) (Quad A) - Board of Directors

RANDY KIMMENS

Director, MCCCDCenter for Workforce Development

Randy Kimmens has nearly 30 years of higher education administration and teaching experience primarily in community colleges. He has experience as a faculty member, Dept Chair, Associate Dean of Students and Dean of Students at Central Wyoming College, University of Denver, Arapahoe Community College in Littleton Colorado, and Pima Community College in Tucson. Between 1998 and 2011 Randy worked as Senior Associate Dean of Instruction and Dean of Instruction Business/Technology at Glendale Community College.

Randy has been a past board member of the Glendale Chamber of Commerce, Peoria Chamber of Commerce, WestMarc Education and Economic Development committees, Maricopa County Workforce Youth Council, The Western Maricopa Tech Prep Consortium, Arizona Career/Technical Education Association and past President of the Arizona Occupational Administrators Council. Randy has presented occupational education/workforce development seminars at national conferences and has won awards for his work in local workforce development initiatives.

MWC Youth Council Nominee

C. RAPHAEL MECHAM

US Department of Housing and Urban Development

Raphael is a US Marine Corps Veteran, serving as a Major. He has previously taught at North West Community College of Colorado (3) years taught Psychology and was flight instructor in the aeronautics department. He has (12) years experience as general contractor and developer in the greater Salt Lake City area.

In 1983 Raphael joined HUD as the Administrator of the Southwest Office of Native American Programs and currently serves in HUD's Public Housing program. He has had a long standing faith based and volunteer involvement with youth, and currently volunteers as a Cub scout Pack Master registered with BSA.