

**MARICOPA WORKFORCE CONNECTIONS  
YOUTH COUNCIL**

Maricopa County Human Services Department  
234 N. Central Ave., 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Phoenix, AZ  
Arizona Conference Room

Minutes

**January 18, 2007**

**I. Call to Order**

Chair Charles McCarty called the meeting to order at 8:42 a.m.

**II. Roll Call: Quorum**

<b>Present</b>	<b>Excused/Absent</b>	<b>Staff</b>
Charles McCarty	Barb Stahl (E)	Jessica Martin
Che Collins	Maude Brinkley (E)	Jodi Hall
Graciela Garcia Candia	Beverly Baeza-Hardaway (E)	Cheryl Rossiter
Rebecca Flanagan	Mike Hayashi (E)	Barb Rorwick
Vanessa Gonzalez	Madge Haynes (E)	Sherri Connell
Angelo Maisto	Chris Tovar (E)	Laurie Ontiveros
Tony Maldonado		Todd Berndt
Ignacio Pesqueira		<b>Guests</b>
Susan Schmidt		Julianne Rose, ACYR
Don Smith		Alex Rivera, ACYR
Ted Murphree		Shalet Barnett, ACYR
Mike Wall		Jessica Troost, Goodwill

**III. Approval of Meeting Minutes – Action**

**Mike Wall motioned to approve the December 6, 2006 minutes. Ted Murphree seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

**IV. 2007 Goals – Action**

Chair McCarty opened this item up for discussion based on an action form outlining the Youth Council 2007 Goals. Susan Schmidt recommended youth be exposed to the industry clusters through informational presentations by full board members. Chair McCarty suggested that the activities to increase the level of engagement with the full board be determined at a subcommittee level with members identified during the last meeting. **Don Smith motioned to adopt the three goals as written. Mike Wall seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

**V. Disbanding of 2006 Subcommittees – Action**

Chair McCarty explained that at the November meeting, it was decided not to pursue 501(c)3 status. The provider reports with the modifications should stand based on extensive discussion that occurred during the December meeting. **Mike Wall made a motion to disband the subcommittees of the 501c3 or the establishment of a 501c3 for the Youth Council and also the subcommittee which was formed for the provider reports. Chair McCarty made a call for the question. Graciela Garcia-Candia seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

**VI. Program Report**

Chair McCarty explained that the Youth Council must determine if they will support the Las Artes program in order to have it documented in the event discussion were to emerge in order to reinstate the program. There is a strong possibility that the Las Artes program could be

reinitiated as early as the next fiscal year. **Ted Murphree made a motion to support the Las Artes Program. Rebecca Flanagan seconded the motion. The motion passed.**

Jessica Martin informed members that the west side facility has a tentative opening date of July 15, 2007. The facility will include a mini one stop that will include a computer room, classroom and offices designated exclusively for the youth program. There is a possibility a Request for Proposal would be released in the spring for services effective July 1, 2007. She further stated the county will be looking for ACYR to provide full time services out of the west side facility. In addition, consideration will be given to other mandated partners to provide services from this facility. If partners are unresponsive then consideration will be given to other community agencies to conduct services to allow full use of the facility to provide a more comprehensive package.

Ms. Martin expressed interest in pursuing an academy campus for foster care and opened up the item for discussion. She mentioned she would like to visit San Diego to conduct research on their existing campus; however, she would not attend unless members considered it a valuable idea to pursue. Che Collins mentioned that Job Corps is a full service training facility of which has never received referrals from the existing one stops. Ms. Martin suggested that a review of the partnership efforts occurring with the current providers will be conducted as to how it can be improved. **Mike Wall made a motion to allow for a fact-finding exploratory visit to San Diego. Che Collins seconded the motion. The motion carried.** Members agreed that a council meeting should be hosted by Job Corps to allow an opportunity for members to learn more about their services offered. Barb Rorwick was asked to work with Che Collins to gather the numbers of foster care youth being served by Job Corps.

The contract amendment has been elevated to the Board of Supervisors to be reviewed at their next meeting scheduled on February 7, 2007. The amendment, if approved, would be retroactive to February 1, 2007.

## **VII. Provider Reports**

### **A. ACYR, Inc.**

Julianne Rose introduced Anthony Rivera, a new Business Services Specialist. Sharlet Barnett has moved into WIA program management. Julianne now represents community relations; however, will continue to attend meetings. In lieu of providing numbers, Julianne presented the quarterly success story.

### **B. GICA**

Jessica Troost reported that they have enrolled a program maximum of 36 youth in the Youth and Disabilities program of whom they have subcontracted with Southwest Institute. Literacy & Numeracy Gain is a new common measure that will be collected annually.

## **VIII. Call to the Public**

No comments were made by the public. Chair McCarty announced that he intends to seek the Vice Chair position on the full board. He encouraged full board members to consider the Youth Council Chair position. Che Collins announced that Job Corps is inviting volunteers to facilitate job shadowing for the annual Groundhog Shadow Day on February 2, 2007.

## **IX. Adjournment**

**Ted Murphree motioned to adjourn the meeting. Don Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:36 a.m.