

Workforce Investment Board

Youth Council

September 13, 2011 – 3:30 p.m.

Tucson Urban League
2305 S. Park Avenue
Tucson, AZ

MEETING SUMMARY

Voting Members Present

Vaughn Croft (Chair)
Amanda Kucich
Jonathan Peck/Daphanie Conner

Staff, Partners & Guests Present

Liz Gulick
Steve Ramirez
Dana Katbah
Oscar Leon
William Marquez
Rebecca Pitman
Diane Luber
Charles Casey
Ris  Hart

- I. **Call to Order** – at 3:35 p.m. Vaughn Croft chaired the meeting.
- II. **Action Item:** Approve meeting minutes – Postponed due to lack of quorum.

NOTE TO VOTING MEMBERS: The January, May, and September meetings have not been attended by enough voting members thus action items/motions could not be passed.

Voting member – If you have changes in your schedule that will not permit you to attend on a regular basis, please contact Vaughn or Ris . Then Vaughn can appoint someone that has a schedule that allows attending the meetings on a regular basis; however you are still invited to partake as a non-voting member.

- III. **Discuss results of the Youth Council Retreat** – The attendees agreed that the Retreat was very beneficial. It was suggested to join forces with other youth groups who have similar missions. The attendees divided into two groups: Engaging Employers and Industry Sectors to discuss and agree on one project.
 - Industry Sectors Project (*Dana, Steve, Casey, Oscar, Daphanie*)
Dana reported that there will be a Statewide Science and Technology Fair consisting of a series of events throughout Arizona. Coinciding with this event, the group decided to ask the “Manufacturing for the Future” presenters who will be talking at the October Workforce

Investment Board (WIB) meeting to speak at a Youth Event before Thanksgiving 2011.

- Engaging Employers Project (*Vaughn, Amanda, Liz, Bill, Rebecca*) Start a campaign for recruiting businesses that would support youth employment. Set up a data base to match youth interests with employer. Publish a joint editorial or press release. Celebrate and recognize employers at an event. Casey suggested recognizing youth employer(s) at the December WIB Employer Appreciation meeting.

IV. Tucson Urban League Presentation – *Jonathan Peck*

Jonathan, President/CEO of Tucson Urban League (TUL), distributed literature and gave a brief presentation about TUL. He is formerly from Chicago and has worked with youth for 17 years. TUL is a modern civil rights agency. Currently TUL has four main types of services/goals: Education, Employment, Housing and Health/Economic. TUL annually serves 18,000 people. Their goal is “Where will TUL be in 2025”. The Community Closet has been opened and going well. This Saturday TUL will be launching a free community Legal Referral Clinic. Website: www.tucsonurbanleague.org.

V. Next Meeting – October 11, 2011

VI. Adjournment – 5:00 p.m.