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SACRAMENTOWORKS

## Regular Meeting of the Sacramento Works Youth Council

**Date:** Wednesday, January 11, 2012

**Time:** 8:30 a.m.

**Location:** Hillsdale Career Center  
5655 Hillsdale Blvd., Suite 9  
Sacramento, CA 95842

### AGENDA

1. Call to Order/Roll Call  
✓ Welcome new members
2. Action Item: Approval of the November 9, 2011 Minutes
3. Discussion item: Review of Program Performance
4. Adjournment

**Members:** Brian Broadway, Matt Kelly, Daniel Koen, Philip Moore, Dennis Morin, Martha Penry, Deborah Portela, Maurice Read, David Younger.

**DISTRIBUTION DATE: THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 2012**

**Regular Meeting of  
SACRAMENTO WORKS YOUTH COUNCIL  
Minutes**

SETA Board Room  
925 Del Paso Blvd.  
Sacramento, CA 95815

November 9, 2011  
8:30 a.m.

- I. **Call to Order/Roll Call:** Mr. Morin called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Members Present: Brian Broadway, Daniel Koen, Philip Moore, Dennis Morin, Maurice Read, David Younger

Member Absent: Deborah Portela, Matt Kelly

Others Present: Phil Cunningham, Robin Purdy, Christine Welsch, Becky Walton, Marty Araiza, Lauren Mechals

2. **Action Item:** Approval of the September 14, 2011 Minutes

Minutes were reviewed; no questions or comments.

Moved/Younger, second/Read, to approve the September 14, 2011 minutes.  
Voice vote: Unanimous approval.

3. **Action Item:** Approval of Augmentation of Sacramento Chinese Community Services Center WIA Youth Services Contract to Support Youth Advocate Position

Ms. Welsch reviewed the board item. The Board implemented the idea of youth specialists to provide universal services at the career centers. This was done to ensure the career centers would be more youth friendly. It was then decided Youth Specialists needed help and the position of Youth Advocate was created. Youth advocate positions are part-time (15-20 hours per week) for an entire year.

Since the Youth Advocates are part of the Universal Youth team it was decided to include these positions in the Universal Youth services funding and not the year-round provider funding. Sacramento Chinese Community Services Center (SCCSC) had the previous funding to support the Youth Advocate position at the Hillsdale Career Center and submitted a proposal to provide Universal Services at the Franklin and Hillsdale Career Centers.

Staff is recommending funding Sacramento Chinese Community Center for the youth advocate position at Hillsdale.

Moved/Read, second/Koen, to approve the augmentation of Sacramento Chinese Community Services Center contract for \$15,000 to support the Youth Advocate position.

Roll Call Vote: Aye: 6, Nay: 0, Abstentions: 0

4. Discussion item: Youth Advocates

At the last meeting, there was discussion of the Youth Advocate and Youth Specialist positions. Youth advocates and specialists were invited to attend this meeting since the Youth Council has expressed interest in having youth participation on the Youth Council. Staff will work with these young people to form the Youth Council Youth Committee. The staff will then make recommendations whom is ready to serve on the Youth Council. The youth Committee will receive copies of the agenda for the Youth Council to go over the agendas and ask questions and form questions that they can ask the Youth Council. It will be a way to train the Youth Advocates in how to participate in the board meetings. It is also a good opportunity to keep this board informed as to what is going on at the career centers.

Information shared by the Youth Advocates and Youth Specialists:

- A lot of foster youth have come into the career centers. The youth advocates provide resources to the foster youth and encourage them to come into the career centers for assistance.
- Ms. Becky Walton stated that the Youth Advocate and the Youth Specialist are very important to have in the career centers. If the youth is not eligible for one of our programs, the youth will be referred to the universal Youth Specialist. It is very important to have the kids served in some fashion.
- When asked about youth employment – Youth services are tracked but it is more difficult to track employment as that information is attained through EDD's base wage data (which tracks wages).
- Demographics of the career center customers - The demographics did not change but there are more TANF, CalWorks and welfare recipients coming into the career center. It seemed like there were more people than seen in previous years.
- Ms. Purdy stated that staff has last year's report, but not necessarily the outcomes; this will be reviewed to see how successful the Youth Advocates/Specialist are to the career center. Mr. Younger stated that it will also assist in the evaluation process when funding comes up.
- Once the Youth Advocate positions are finalized, the board requested a roster of the Youth Advocates. Mr. Read also asked to have name placards for the youth advocates/specialists.

There was discussion of utilizing Facebook and Twitter to contact young people. Ms. Welsch stated that some career centers are open only to youth during certain hours.

5. General announcements:  
Mr. Broadway announced that the Community Partnership Council meeting will be held December 1, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. A luncheon will be provided by the SJCC Culinary Arts Class.

Next meeting of the Youth Council will be January 11, 2012.

6. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 a.m.