

MADERA COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

"Committed to a Quality Workforce"

AGENDA

December 17, 2009

3:00 p.m.

Meeting will be held at:

***Madera County Workforce Assistance Center
Executive Conference Room
209 East 7th Street
Madera, CA 93638
(559) 662-4589***

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1.0 Call to Order

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

2.0 Public Comment

This time is made available for comment from the public on matters within the Board's jurisdiction. The comment period will be limited to 15 minutes. Each speaker will be limited to 3 minutes and only one speaker per subject matter.

3.0 Introductions and Recognitions

4.0 Consent Calendar

4.1 Ratify Workforce Investment Board Minutes – June 24, 2009

4.2 Ratify Youth Advisory Council Minutes – September 2, 2009

4.3 Approve Executive Committee Minutes – September 24, 2009

4.4 Approve Youth Advisory Council Minutes – December 2, 2009

4.5 Ratify Revised Workforce Investment Board Policy – Basic Skills Deficient

4.6 Ratify Revised Workforce Investment Board Bylaws

4.7 Ratify Resignation of Workforce Investment Board Director – Waseem Ahmed, Private Sector

5.0 Action Items

- 5.1 Approve New Workforce Investment Board Director – Larry Pistorosi, Private Sector
- 5.2 Approve Resignation of Youth Advisory Council Member – Sally L. Frazier, Ed.D.
- 5.3 Approve New Youth Advisory Council Member – Shelly Hjella
- 5.4 Approve Revised Workforce Investment Board Policy – Supportive Services
- 5.5 Approve Revised Workforce Investment Board Policy – Incumbent Worker Training

6.0 Information Items

- 6.1 ARRA Update
- 6.2 Budget/Data Update
- 6.3 Projects/Grants Update
 - 3 Year Annual Vision Report, Jobs Forum, Microsoft Elevate America Project, DPN, Veteran Grant, Allied Health, Green Job Corp, High Concentration of Youth Money, WIA Reauthorization, CDCR
- 6.4 RDA Summer Youth Wrap Up
- 6.5 Letters of Support
 - San Joaquin Valley Workforce Funders Collaborative, NEG, RICOG

7.0 Written Communication

8.0 Open Discussion/Reports/Information

- 8.1 Committee Members
- 8.2 Staff

9.0 Next Meeting

March 18, 2010

10.0 Adjournment

MADERA COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

June 24, 2009

MINUTES

- PRESENT:** Nick Benjamin, Debi Bray, Bob Carlson, David Hernandez, John Jepson, Tim Liermann, Debbie Macias, Kathy McCorry, M.J. Nabors, Terry Nichols, M.S., Max Rodriguez, Tara Ryan, Kelly Woodard
- ABSENT:** Waseem Ahmed, Sally L. Frazier, Ed.D., Bobby Kahn, Terry Kershaw, Ed.D., Carol Long, Rebecca Mendibles, Stacy Nieto, Robert Poythress, Rosemary Rusca, Christine Watts-Johnson, Maxine Yocum, Gerald Zumwalt
- GUEST:** Robyn Smith
- OTHERS:** Elaine Craig, Tracie Scott-Contreras, Jessica Roche, Nicki Martin

1.0 Call to Order

Meeting called to order by WIB Chair Bob Carlson at 3:09 p.m.

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

2.0 Public Comment

None

3.0 Introductions and Recognitions

Round table introductions by WIB Directors and staff. Elaine introduced new WIB directors Mary Smith, SEIU 1000, and Kelly Woodard, DSS, Steven Gutierrez, EDD LMI Division, and Robyn Smith, WIB Executive Committee member.

4.0 Consent Calendar

- 4.1 Ratify Workforce Investment Board Executive Committee Minutes – April 23, 2009**
- 4.2 Approve Workforce Investment Board Executive Committee Minutes – May 28, 2009**
- 4.3 Ratify Nomination of WIB Director Mary Smith, SEIU Local 1000 – Labor Sector**
- 4.4 Ratify Resignation of WIB Director Hub Walsh, Department of Social Services**
- 4.5 Ratify Appointment of WIB Director Kelly Woodard – Department of Social Services**
- 4.6 Approve Appointment of WIB Director Kelly Woodard to the WIB Executive Committee**
- 4.7 Ratify Resignation of Youth Advisory Council Member Gwen Palmer – Parent Representative**
- 4.8 Ratify Reappointment of WIB Director Bobby Kahn – Madera County Economic Development Commission**
- 4.9 Ratify Reappointment of WIB Director M.J. Nabors – Community Action Partnership of Madera**
- 4.10 Ratify Reappointment of WIB Director Tara Ryan – Chukchansi Gold Resort & Casino**
- 4.11 Ratify Reappointment of WIB Director Christine Watts-Johnson – Madera Community Hospital**

4.12 Ratify Boston Reed Training Program Applications for ETPL

M.J. Nabors moved to approve consent items 4.1 to 4.12, seconded by David Hernandez. Motion approved unanimously.

5.0 Action Items

5.1 Approve New WIB Director Michael K. Lagow – Private Sector

Staff request approval for new WIB Director Michael Lagow, Owner/President of Sierra Oak Auto Body and authorize staff to forward to the Board of Supervisors for appointment. Mr. Lagow will represent the Private Sector on the WIB.

M.J. Nabors moved to approve Mr. Lagow, seconded by Tim Liermann. Motion approved unanimously.

5.2 Approve Revised WIB Policy – Self Sufficiency Determination

EDD has sent out the final Directive for self sufficiency guidelines. The only guidelines affected were to the poverty guidelines. These guidelines do not affect our WIB Policy or program. Staff asks that this item be tabled.

Item 5.2 Tabled.

5.3 Approve Resignation of WIB Youth Advisory Council Member - Ernie Perez, Job Corps

Due to a change in assignments, Ernie Perez will no longer be able to serve on the Youth Advisory Council.

Nick Benjamin moved to approve Mr. Perez's resignation, seconded by Kelly Woodard. Motion approved unanimously.

5.4 Approve New WIB Youth Advisory Council Member – Bonita Gomez, Job Corps

Bonita Gomez is a Case Manager with the Job Corps and will replace Ernie Perez on the Youth Advisory Council. Staff requests approval and authorization to forward to the Board of Supervisors for appointment.

Nick Benjamin moved to approve Mr. Perez's resignation, seconded by Kelly Woodard. Motion approved unanimously.

5.5 WIB Chair and Vice Chair Election

The WIB Chair and Vice Chair 2 year term expire at the end of June. WIB Chair Bob Carlson is willing to serve another term but is willing to step down in order to let another WIB Director serve as Chair if interested. Carol Long has notified staff that she is retiring from the WIB at the end of her term on 6/30/09 and will not serve another Vice Chair term. Staff noted that the WIB Chair and Vice Chair must be WIB Private Sector representatives.

Debi Bray moved to elect Bob Carlson as WIB Chair, seconded by M.J. Nabors. Motion approved unanimously.

Kathy Woodard moved to elect Debi Bray as the WIB Vice Chair, seconded by Tim Liermann. Motion approved unanimously.

5.6 Reconsideration of Labor Nomination

The nomination of Mr. Bill Turini, AFT Local 1533, by the Central California Labor Council was first brought to the Executive Committee on 5/28/09. The Executive Committee expressed a desire to have Labor Sector representatives serve on the WIB who represent the local Madera labor sectors such as Corrections unions and/or other industries such as Industry/Ag. As a result, Mr. Turini's nomination was not approved and staff was tasked with contacting the Labor Council for an alternate nomination. The Labor Council has asked the Mr. Turini's nomination be reconsidered as they consider Mr. Turini a respected member of the community, an educator, a farmer and a political activist. Mr. Turini represents teachers from the Madera State Center and their Oakhurst office. WIB

Directors expressed an interest in asking the Labor Council to find and nominate a union representative who represents a Private Sector union.

Tim Liermann motioned to approve Mr. Turnini's nomination to the WIB, seconded by Max Rodriguez. The remaining WIB Directors opposed nomination. Motion NOT APPROVED.

6.0 Information Items

6.1 UC Merced Medical School Information

Tim Curley, Children's Hospital Central California, presented information from the Valley Coalition for UC Merced Medical School regarding efforts in the development of UC Merced's Medical School. The Coalition aims to keep the UC Medical School front and center to attract attention, share information, and gain support for the proposed school. Hand out provided.

6.2 Madera WIB Bylaws – WIB Director Term Expiration Dates

The WIB Bylaws currently only identifies the Madera County Board of Supervisor representative and the Madera County Superintendent of Schools representative as Standing Members. Staff would like to revise the Bylaws to include all One Stop Partner representatives. Staff will bring revised Bylaws to the Executive Committee for approval and the WIB for ratification.

6.3 ARRA Update

Program is spending ARRA funding as transparently as possible. Approximately 300 youth are doing summer work experience. 24 Youth are working with RDA to revitalize 10 identified senior citizen homes. We have 5 slots for youth to work in Merced with PG&E for an HVAC training. After the training, the youth will be employed by Madera HVAC businesses. We have 5 slots each for a 4 week electric auto mechanic training and a green jobs training. Staff and youth provider are still working on placing an additional 200 youth for summer work experience.

6.4 Projects/Grants Update

We are doing lots of contract education with Madera State Center. There are 2 cohorts with 36-38 participants doing a 12 unit, 12 week Early Childhood Education training. 18 participants in a Medical Administrative Assistant course at the Madera Center. Staff working with Fresno City College for information on starting an ESL training. We are doing many ITAs e.g. Cardio EKG. There are many GED participants taking class in the One Stop. Our staff doing program Orientation during class. Staff also doing Orientation at DSS PACT Orientation. To date, we have not received any Incumbent Worker training requests.

6.5 Budget Update

Applied regionally for a \$1 million green collar job grant. Grant would send at-risk youth the Camp Green Meadows for a week. Workshops would be centered around green jobs. Madera will receive 10 slots for participants. EDD contacted Madera and suggested that we apply for the National Emergency Grant. 15% of the funds would go towards trainings. The remainder would fund Central California Workforce Collaborative projects. All budget spending is on target.

6.6 2009-2010 WIB Meeting Calendars

Hand out provided containing WIB, Executive Committee, and Youth Advisory Council meeting dates. Staff will also email to all members. Some dates will most likely be cancelled due to the Holidays.

7.0 Written Communication

8.0 Open Discussion/Reports/Information

8.1 Committee Members

None

8.2 Staff

None

9.0 Next Meeting

September 17, 2009

10.0 Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

MADERA COUNTY
WORKFORCE
INVESTMENT BOARD

"Committed to a Quality Workforce"

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

September 2, 2009

MINUTES

- PRESENT:** Susan Arteaga, Debi Bray, Joe Cabrera, Sharon Cloud, Bonita Gomez, Cyndia Gray, Nancy Isaacs, Maria Juarez, Mary Anne Seay, Robyn Smith
- ABSENT:** Sally L. Frazier, Ed.D., Rachel Freeman, Harry Nabors, Martha Vasquez, Rachel Vasquez-Moy
- GUEST:** Monica Diaz-RDA, Debbie Blankenship-Madera DSS, Bonnie Hardin-RSG, Jim Taubert-RDA
- OTHERS:** Tracie Scott-Contreras, Nicki Martin

1.0 Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 3:31 p.m. by Council Chair Robyn Smith.

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

2.0 Public Comment

None

3.0 Introductions and Recognitions

Roundtable introduction by Council members, guests, and Workforce Development Office staff.

4.0 Consent Calendar

None

5.0 Action Items

None

6.0 Information Items

6.1 ARRA Summer Youth Update

Staff reported that a total of 306 youth participated in the summer work experience program funded with ARRA. 90% of ARRA summer youth funds have been expended or obligated. All funds not expended will roll over into the year-round In-School and Out-of-School fund accounts. Youth involved in the RDA summer work experience project will work up to September 11, 2009.

6.2 Summer Worksite Presentation

Monica Diaz – Madera Redevelopment Agency, provided information regarding the RDA summer work experience via a PowerPoint presentation. Monica thanked the Madera WIB for participating in the project. The project involved approximately 30 youth who worked on senior-owned homes in the central Madera and Hughes neighborhood area. The youth learned discipline and how to follow directions. The students

learned skills such as painting, using power tools, and carpentry while working on the project. Jim Taubert – RDA Executive Director, stated that the project was a great opportunity for the home owners as well as the youth. Some of the youth have been offered jobs that will allow them to use the skills they've learned from the project. Many of the homes worked on were very old. 2 of the homes were built in 1893 and just after the turn of the century. The Madera RDA is placing a special insert into the Madera Tribune dedicated to the youth project. Included in the insert will be before and after pictures of the homes worked on. The youth will also receive certificates and a letter from the Mayor and the Madera WIB commending them for their work and participation. There was a great response from the community for summer youth. Joe Cabrera, EDD, stated that they are planning on hiring a youth after the work experience is over. Many youth got hired part-time after the project ended.

6.3 Youth Program Participant Presentation

A DVD with news stories from Channels 21, 26, and 30 was shown. The various stations highlighted and interviewed youth involved in the project and the collaboration between the Madera RDA and Madera WIB using ARRA funds.

6.4 Youth Provider End of Year Reports

Programs funds have been expended to 11% and 17%. The remaining Summer Youth funds will go into the regular In School and Out of School accounts.

6.5 Regional Green Job Corps Project

Madera applied and received a regional grant along with other Central California counties from Kern to San Joaquin for a Green Job Corps project. Madera is allotted 9 spots for youth who will participate in and receive Green Jobs Training 101 and attend Camp Green Meadows for a week. Besides participating in Camp Green Meadows, participants must complete 100 hours of community service with an emphasis and work experience supported by green education. Participants will earn a stipend for attending the camp and other milestones. Participants must be 18 years of age or older. The Camp is operated by the Merced County Office of Education.

6.6 Youth Council Membership

Staff is continuously recruiting for Council members, including Parent and Youth representatives. Staff is following up with a potential member from the Madera probation department. Youth participants can be former or current youth participants.

7.0 Written Communication

None

8.0 Open Discussion/Reports/Information

8.1 Committee Members

Robyn Smith – Weekend in the Country event coming up – 9/26/09 and 9/27/09. It is a family event which happens two times a year.

Sharon Cloud - Madera Unified is kicking off 3 career programs. Career Cruising is a career assessment. All students 7th through 12th grade are doing the assessment. A pilot program is currently in place at Sierra Vista which includes students in grades 4, 5, and 6th. The assessment measures skills and interests. The program is web based: www.careercruising.com. The program contains information regarding approximately 36,000 jobs and information on colleges and scholarships. Employability Program is a 6 week program. Students have to meet certain criteria including attending classes on time, complete assignments, and maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0. Mock interviews are scheduled for Madera High School and Madera South High School. Madera High interviews will take place on 9/30/09 and 10/1/09. Madera South interviews will take place on 9/14/09 and 9/16/09. All Seniors must participate and pass a mock interview. Reminder – all work permits are expired as of 9/1/09. All students must reapply for new permits.

8.2 Staff

None

9.0 Next Meeting

December 2, 2009

10.0 Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

M A D E R A C O U N T Y
W O R K F O R C E
I N V E S T M E N T B O A R D

"Committed to a Quality Workforce"

Executive Committee

September 24, 2009

MINUTES

PRESENT: Debi Bray, Bob Carlson, Sally L. Frazier, Ed.D., Max Rodriguez, Robyn Smith

ABSENT: Kelly Woodard

GUEST:

OTHERS: Elaine Craig, Tracie Scott-Contreras, Jessica Roche, Nicki Martin

1.0 Call to Order

Meeting called to order by WIB Chair Bob Carlson at 3:00 p.m.

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

2.0 Public Comment

None

3.0 Introductions and Recognitions

Elaine Craig introduced Tina Vasquez, Workforce Administrative Specialist. Tina has been with the Workforce Development Office for approximately 1 month.

4.0 Consent Calendar

4.1 Approve Workforce Investment Board Minutes – June 24, 2009

4.2 Approve Youth Advisory Council Minutes – September 2, 2009

Robyn Smith moved to approve consent items 4.1 and 4.2, seconded by Max Rodriguez. Motion approved unanimous.

5.0 Action Items

5.1 Approve Revised Workforce Investment Board Policy – Basic Skills Deficient

Staff is asking for approval to revise current policy. The Basic Skills Deficient policy was brought to Board in December of 2007. Current policy states that if someone doesn't have HS Diploma or GED they are assessed. If they don't assess at 9th grade level or above they must remediate. Staff encountered participants who tested at appropriate levels but DID NOT have a diploma or GED. The policy does not specifically state that they must have a diploma if they test adequately. Staff request the policy be revised to state that all participants must have a diploma, GED or equivalent in order to receive training or job referrals. In addition, the WorkKeys component is not covered in the policy. Appropriate industry WorkKeys scores must also be obtained to receive training in the sector of choice. Under WIA, anyone testing at below 9th grade reading and math levels is considered deficient. The Madera County WIB has moved to draft policies and procedures that require 9th grade levels in reading and math. There is an exception written into the policy for those employers who do NOT require a

diploma or GED in order to hire employees. If staff receives job orders and requests from employers that do not require a diploma or GED, staff will refer participants but those participants will not be eligible for trainings until a diploma or GED is obtained.

Max Rodriguez moved to approve revised policy, seconded by Sally Frazier. Motion approved unanimously.

5.2 Approve Revised Workforce Investment Board Bylaws

Staff requests approval to revise the Bylaws where the Superintendent of Schools is named as a standing member of the WIB. Staff would like to add the wording "or designee" to the Superintendent of Schools. The addition is still within the accordance of the law. Dr. Frazier has indicated that a designee will be named at a later date. Members suggest adding wording to indicate that the designee would be associated with the Office of Education. Debi Bray inquired as to whether adding wording indicating a designee for the Board of Supervisor member could be added as well. Staff will research the designee for the Board of Supervisors.

Debi Bray moved to approve the bylaws as presented and asks that staff research a designee for the Board of Supervisors member to the WIB, seconded by Robyn Smith. Motion approved unanimously.

5.3 Approve Resignation of Workforce Investment Board Director – Waseem Ahmed, Private Sector

Waseem Ahmed, WIB Private Sector, has indicated that he is unable to attend WIB meetings due to work and schedule conflicts. Staff have sent out applications and inquiries to various community members to join the Madera WIB including the General Managers of Lowe's and Spring Hill Suites.

Max Rodriguez moved to approve resignation, seconded by Bob Carlson. Motion approved unanimously.

6.0 Information Items

6.1 ARRA Update

Charts provided. The program is in line with ARRA expenditure. The Workforce Development Office Regional Advisor had previously indicated to staff that programs should be at 15% expenditure levels and Madera is currently at 12%. Since checking last, the program is currently at the suggested 15% goal. The program has done a tremendous job utilizing the funds, especially with ITAs. Most of the ARRA money is being spent on contracted education. Administrative Medical Assistant. is now in a second level of classes. 15 participants are currently doing the full certificate program at Madera Center. An Early Childhood Education program is being done at the Community College. The Fresno City College Training institute is training participants on TOEIC for Community Action Partnership Agency participants. Participants have been granted an extension on their contracts instead of being terminated while they work on their TOEIC scores. The ARRA Summer Youth Work Experience was a very successful program. Jim Taubert has expressed its success with many community members. The ARRA Summer Youth funds were primarily used for youth wages – 89%.

6.2 Grants/Projects Update

Working with MCOE for Bridges to Leadership training. The program is financing the training for a total of 20 participants. The program is not paying the entire fee but is offering a scholarship program for each participant to help cover fees for the training. The GED program being offered in the One Stop is very busy and full. A program staff person is assigned to track and keep files for the program. We have participants enrolled in trainings from a wide range of programs such as truck driving, welding, medical assisting and various others. Since July 1st 990 new participants have registered in VOS. 1197 have logged on 11801 different services have been provided. These services range from Orientation to workshops. One Stop Orientations are scheduled 2 times a day, Monday through Thursday. There has been 534 new enrollments since July 1.

We had a successful start to the Green Collar grant. Madera received 9 slots. All participants spent a week at Camp Green Meadows last week. The 9 Youth will sit in on a Green 101 training being held for WDO staff. A panel comprised of local Green employers will participate and take questions from staff and youth. The grant will run for 18 month and will involve community service and Green curriculum and work experience. An Application for NEG \$17.5 million grant for the region – 8 WIBs. 15% of funds

received must go to trainings. Madera Center is going to apply for a health grants. They have asked for a letter of support from Madera WIB. The program will help with supportive services. Staff working with CDCR to plan how to spend CDCR funds for parolees coming into the Center. None of the funds will be used for staffing. The plan would include for services including. Clean Energy Grant is being applied for full state center district. There are participants who will be traveling to Merced College to participate in a Water Treatment Plan Manager training at the Merced College. Two of the participants are dislocated workers from the Redevelopment Agency. There is an Alternate Fuel program being offered by Modesto but will be marked to Madera participants.

6.3 Budget Update

The program budget is on course and where it should be.

6.4 Madera Workforce Investment Board Labor Sector Representative Update

We are currently in compliance with labor sector composition. Staff has forwarded a WIB application to Mr. Turini to join the WIB as a Private Sector member. Mr. Turini is a farmer. Debi Bray requests staff check with Golden One for perspective members.

7.0 Written Communication

None

8.0 Open Discussion/Reports/Information

8.1 Committee Members

Max Rodriguez inquired if there were any requests for the welding facilities at Madera South campus. None have been reported.

8.2 Staff

None

9.0 Next Meeting

October 22, 2009

10.0 Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

M A D E R A C O U N T Y
W O R K F O R C E
I N V E S T M E N T B O A R D

"Committed to a Quality Workforce"

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

December 2, 2009

MINUTES

- PRESENT:** Susan Arteaga, Debi Bray, Joe Cabrera, Nancy Isaacs, Maria Juarez, Mary Anne Seay, Robyn Smith, Rachel Vasquez-Moy
- ABSENT:** Sharon Cloud, Sally L. Frazier, Rachel Freeman, Bonita Gomez, Cyndia Gray, Harry Nabors, Martha Vasquez
- GUEST:** Debbie Blankenship, Christine Kulina, Eugene Bell, Bonnie Hardin, Ruby Martinez, Green Job Corp Participants
- OTHERS:** Elaine Craig, Jessica Roche, Nicki Martin

1.0 Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 3:36 p.m.

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

2.0 Public Comment

None

3.0 Introductions and Recognitions

Roundtable introductions by Council and guests.

4.0 Consent Calendar

None

5.0 Action Items

None

6.0 Information Items

6.1 Presentation by Green Job Corp Participants

The Green Job Corp was a project which involved 9 Workforce areas. Madera has 9 participant slots. Participants must comply with specific components which included a community service project. Participants attended Camp Green Meadows for 1 week. Madera's participants were accompanied by 2 peer support workers. Green Job Corp participants presented information regarding their community service project and information about our environment and recycling. Participants also do presentations at elementary schools with the Club Yes program. Fun Fact: almost 97% of earth's water is salt water. Recycling: 60% of trash can be recycled. Fun Fact: recycling 1 aluminum can will create enough power to run a TV for 3 hours. Fun Fact: 75% of each tree that is cut down to make

paper is not used to make paper. Fun Fact: The U.S. generates most trash with 1609 lbs per person per year. Fun Fact over 4.5 trillion cigarette butts are littered in the world. Green Job Corp participants also participated in a Green 101 workshop along with Workforce Development Office staff which included an Employer Panel. The youth were engaged with the panel by asking many questions. They also traveled to Oakhurst to attend a symposium sponsored by the Conservation Corp. The youth participants will also travel to Fresno for Green Summit next week.

6.2 Program Update – Kings View Ready, Set, Go! Program

Hand outs provided. There are currently 34 In-School-Youth (ISY) students enrolled. The Out-of-School program is finished up their Customer Service Academy class in early November. Students enrolled in the Customer Service Academy earn 5 units of Community College credit. They are currently finishing up their course work. There are 20 Out-of-School (OSY) youth working out in the Community. The Green Job Corps participants are scheduled to do a community service project the next couple of weeks at Lake Hensley if it doesn't rain.

6.3 Budget Update

Hand out provided with budget information. ISY & OSY has been budgeted 100% and expect no carry-over at the end of the year. ARRA Youth is pretty much expended and is pretty much wrapped up. There is currently \$190,000 dollars that are unexpended that is a combination of some monies left over from carry-over and whatever wasn't spent in paid work experience. The remaining budget will be put back into the summer youth program. Hand out provided with information on ARRA Summer youth activities. The RDA Summer Youth project was funded with the ARRA summer youth funds.

6.4 Summer Youth Program Wrap-up and Video

The RDA Summer Youth program was view by the Council at the last Board meeting. The youth worked on 14 homes. Some of the homes were historical homes and painted according to the historically correct paint colors. Many positive relationships were formed between the youth who participated and the owners of the homes. There were many projects with the Summer Youth program. There were participants working with beauty schools, hospitals, and various other community employers.

6.5 Reauthorization Update

Information was given originally stating that we would not hear any news on reauthorization until after the U.S. Health Bill passed. Recently, the President will have a job summit and reauthorization is now being placed on the forefront. One topic being discussed is the possibility of doing aware with your eligibility for youth participants. Jane Oats is in Washington D.C. and is a big proponent for Workforce Development and Summer Youth monies. CWA has been asked by our legislative body to forward suggestions for the Job Summit and Summer Youth funds.

7.0 Written Communication

None

8.0 Open Discussion/Reports/Information

8.1 Committee Members

Maria Juarez: Thanks to Eugene Bell for helping keep their youth participant in their office. She has now applied and gotten a permanent full-time position with the Housing Authority. She is an amazing, hard worker. She participated in the RSG Out-of-School program last year.

Joe Cabrera: EDD hired a former summer youth participant in their department. She is working with youth and helps mentor other youth to stay in school.

Robyn Smith: Just started a chipping program to employ adults – fire hazard reduction where by workers will chip wood and spread around instead of piling up cuttings.

Mary Anne Seay: The Youth Center is encountering construction problems. The site is located on 5th Street and Flume Street. The Parks and Recreation Department has several community block grant projects including a dog park and replacing the floors at the Pan American Center.

8.2 Staff

None

9.0 Next Meeting

March 3, 2010

10.0 Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.