

# WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING

Workforce Development Department Administration Office  
290 North D Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, San Bernardino, California

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2024 AT 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM

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## AGENDA

### OPENING

- 1) Call Meeting to Order
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Introductions

### PUBLIC COMMENT

- 4) Comments from the General Public in Attendance

### CONSENT AGENDA

- 5) Approval of Minutes from January 24, 2024 Youth Committee Meeting

### PRESENTATION

- 6) California Youth Connection – *Presented by: Aaron Polanco*

### DISCUSSION

- 7) Goals/Work Plan for Youth Committee

### REPORTS AND INFORMATION

- 8) Road Trip Nation Update
- 9) Youth Dashboard
- 10) Directors Report
- 11) Chair Report

### ADJOURNMENT

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**San Bernardino County  
Workforce Development Board  
Youth Committee  
Agenda Item**

**MEETING DATE:** April 10, 2024

**ITEM:** (5)

**SUBJECT:** Approve Minutes from January 24, 2024 Youth Committee Meeting

**PRESENTED BY:** Bradley Gates, Director  
Workforce Development Department (WDD)

**CONSENT**   X                        **DISCUSSION** \_\_\_\_\_                      **INFORMATION** \_\_\_\_\_

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve Minutes from January 24, 2024 Youth Committee Meeting

**BACKGROUND:** See attached minutes

**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD  
YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2024 – 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM**

**MINUTES**

**Attendees:**

<b>Members</b>	<b>Present</b>
Shannon Shannon (Chair)	X
*Andre Bossieux	X
Phil Cothran	
*Shellie Dansby	X
*Jayson Jones	
Lowell King	X
Dale Marsden	
*Tremaine Mitchell	X
*Ryan Rainbolt	X
Tawnya Rhodes- Hensley	X
*Terrance Stone	
*Carol Tsushima	X
*Eve Valdez	X
Jonathan Weldy	X
*Jeany Zepeda	X

*\*Public Members*

<b>Staff to WDB</b>	<b>Present</b>
Devra Bell	X
Curtis Compton	X
Brad Gates	X
Fred Burks	X

**OPENING**

- 1) **Chair called meeting to order** at 8:34 AM
- 2) **Pledge of Allegiance** – Lowell King led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3) **Introductions** – The Chair led the introductions around the room.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- 4) **Comments from the General Public in Attendance** - No public comment cards were presented.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**5) Approve Minutes from October 11, 2023 Youth Committee Meeting**

The Chair requested a motion to approve the consent agenda. Tremaine Mitchell motioned; Lowell King seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

## **PRESENTATION**

### **6) Foster Youth**

Jeany Zepeda, Director of Children and Family Services, provided an overview of her department and their work with Foster Youth. She noted as of January 1, 2024, there are no longer taking anonymous callers, although the information remains confidential. This new rule was implemented by the State. She also reported on the services provided for employees that may need them for social/emotional reasons, due to the situations they encounter with children. Ms. Zepeda discussed trying to place youth with family members whenever possible and lastly, she discussed the career ladder to become a social worker.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **7) Goals/Workplan for the Youth Committee**

Bradley Gates led the discussion. The members discussed the continued challenges that transportation brings to individuals trying to get to school or a job. The Youth Providers will be assisting the youth with trying to get their drivers' license.

## **REPORTS AND INFORMATION**

### **8) Road Trip Nation Update**

Bradley Gates reported on the Road Trip Nation hub, which has gone live. The actual road trip should begin within a month or two, with the 5 participants finishing their training. This is a great opportunity to highlight career pathways in the county and get national airing.

### **9) Youth Dashboard**

Fred Burks provided updates on the Youth dashboard, highlighting statistics for homelessness; Youth enrollments; and sectors. The Chair encouraged everyone to go directly to the dashboard for current information, as it is updated regularly.

### **10) Director's Report**

Bradley Gates provided a status on hiring a new Assistant Director. He also discussed replacing the Deputy Director position next. Next, he reported on the annual report, which is being prepared by the 20/20 Network, who will reach out to the Chairs for information to include in their respective sections. Lastly, Mr. Gates reported on the status of the WIOA Reauthorization.

### **11) Chair Report**

The Chair reported on upcoming legislative visits to Sacramento and Washington D.C.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Chair called for a motion to adjourn. Lowell King motioned; Tawnya Rhoades-Hensley seconded the motion. None opposed; motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 AM

The next WDB Youth Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 8:30 AM to be held at WDD Administration Office, 290 North D Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92415.

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Devra Bell – WDB Secretary