

MEETING MINUTES

COMMITTEE ON YOUTH

SOUTHERN NEVADA REGIONAL PLANNING COALITION

November 19, 2008

In attendance:

Darryl Martin, CHAIR, Clark County
Steven Horsford, VICE CHAIR, Non-profit (Nevada Partners)
Jhone Ebert, Clark County School District
Mary Ellen Donner, City of Henderson
Melissa Clary, Alternate, City of Las Vegas
Ken Lobene, Southern Nevada Workforce Investment Board
Hilarie Robison, Alternate, Nevada Public Education Foundation (UNLV)

Absent:

Orlando Sanchez, City of Las Vegas
Gene Hall, Nevada Public Education Foundation (UNLV)
Marc Joseph, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department
Christine Clark, Higher Education (UNLV)
Dan Goulet, Non-profit (United Way of Southern Nevada)
Roger Hall, City of Boulder City
Sam Chambers, City of North Las Vegas
Craig Galati, Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce

Agenda Item 1. Call to order, notice of agenda compliance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law.

The meeting of the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition Committee on Youth was called to order by Darryl Martin, Chair, Clark County, at 8:52 a.m., on Wednesday, November 19, 2008, in Desert Rose Adult High School, 444 West Brooks Avenue, North Las Vegas, Nevada.

The agenda for the November 19, 2008, meeting was duly posted in compliance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law requirements.

Agenda Item 2. Approval of the Agenda for November 19, 2008.

A motion was made and seconded to remove agenda item 4 (Technical Working Group Update) and approve the revised agenda for the November 19, 2008, meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 3. Approval of the Minutes from the October 23, 2008, meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes for the October 23, 2008, meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 4. Receive an update from the Committee on Youth Technical Working Group and other working groups. Recommended action - Take any necessary action. This item was removed.

Agenda Item 5. Receive an update from the Southern Nevada Workforce Investment Board Youth Council. Recommended action - Take any necessary action.

Ken Lobene, Southern Nevada Workforce Investment Board, stated that only one response had been received for the Foster Youth RFP, so the RFP would be pulled and sent out again after improvements and revisions.

There was discussion by the Committee on RFP parameters and the expected timeline.

Shannon West, Regional Homeless Services Coordinator, stated that the Technical Working Group had been discussing pushing the RFP back to January, 2009, to coincide with the applications for the Outside Agency Block Grants.

No motion or action was required on this agenda item.

Agenda Item 6. Receive an update from the Nevada Public Education Foundation regarding the Ready for Life Dropout Prevention Summit and Asset Map of youth services. Recommended action - Take any necessary action.

Hilarie Robison, Nevada Public Education Foundation, gave an update on the November 12 Nevada Dropout Prevention Summit. She stated that the Resource (Asset) Map of youth services had been launched and was available at www.ReadyForLifenv.org.

Dr. Sandra Ransel, Desert Rose Adult High School, presented a video that had been developed and produced by Desert Rose Adult High School students on addressing Dropouts and Dropout Prevention and she discussed two PSA's that had also been developed.

There was discussion by the Committee about airing the two PSA's on PBS and Channels 2 and 4; keeping students engaged and attending school; and funding shortages.

Senator Steven Horsford, Non-profit (Nevada Partners), asked when the survey results from the Summit would be available; and Ms. Robison responded that they were expected to be presented at the January Committee on Youth meeting.

No motion or action was required on this agenda item.

Agenda Item 7. Receive a presentation on proposed staffing and funding for the SNRPC Committee on Youth. Recommended action - Take any necessary action.

Shannon West, Regional Homeless Services Coordinator, discussed the SNRPC Committee on Youth budget for FY 2008-2009, and she stated that the Southern Nevada Workforce Investment Board had committed funding for covering the proposed staff position from January through July 2009 until a revised budget could be presented to the Coalition Board in June, 2009.

Hilarie Robison, Nevada Public Education Foundation, stated that the Nevada Public Education Foundation would also work to fill in any gaps.

There was discussion by the Committee about an official job description; who the potential applicant would be working for; whether the proposed position would be full-time or part-time; including specific benchmarks and/or achievements when presenting to the Coalition Board; including the SNRPC Technical Committee on approval before presenting to the Coalition Board; and showing and proving the need for the position to the Coalition Board.

Jennifer Olsen, SNRPC Secretary, stated that the proposed SNRPC budget would be presented to the Coalition Board in March, and the final SNRPC budget would be presented to the Coalition Board in May.

Darryl Martin, Clark County, requested that a Committee on Youth meeting be scheduled in December; and Senator Steven Horsford, Non-profit (Nevada Partners), requested that all future meetings be held around 2:00 p.m. instead of in the morning.

A motion was made and seconded to approve holding a Committee on Youth meeting in December. The motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 8. Public Comment.

Ed (no last name given), Desert Rose Adult High School, discussed the Dropout Prevention video and commented on the November 12 Nevada Dropout Prevention Summit. He stated that he was encouraged at the Summit by seeing attendees listening to ideas that were presented by students as well as consultants.

Dr. Sandra Ransel, Desert Rose Adult High School, commented on the ongoing needs of the High School as well as overall in alternative education.

Darryl Martin, Clark County, and Senator Steven Horsford, Non-profit (Nevada Partners), recommended showing the Dropout Prevention video at the January Coalition Board meeting as well as having students there to comment on it.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:41 a.m.