

Employment Workgroup Meeting Notes

Date: 9/1/2009 **Time:** 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m. **Location:** JOIN/ProNet Office,
1201 Terminal Way, Ste 104, Reno

Facilitator: Jesse Gregory

Timekeeper: All **Note taker:** Jesse Gregory

Attendees: Bob Alessandrelli, Susan Fix, Jesse Gregory, Joy Grude, Cathy Mastrantuono, Candy Nolte, Steve Casper, Jeremy Stocking, Laura Dupree

Notes

Agenda item: Introduction & Agenda Review **Presenter:** Jesse Gregory

- *Guest Speaker – Candy Nolte, JOIN/Pro-Net*

All Action Items Highlighted

***Speaker: Candy Nolte w/JOIN/Pro-Net**

- A common misconception is that JOIN has job openings, Candy clarified this by indicating they simply connect people with jobs and prepare them for the workforce and employment through the efforts of Pro-Net
- Funding comes through WIA
- Manages the work segment of the welfare program
- Manages the Court Counseling Compliance Program
- Hosts workshops through the Reno/Sparks Gospel Mission
- In the process of developing a Career Center
- Job Connect hosts 2 orientations each week on Fridays

***Next month's Speaker:** Jeremy Stocking w/Children's Cabinet

***November's Speaker:** Bob Alessandrelli

Discussion: ***Jesse to follow-up w/Karoline Whightman @ KOLO to see if she can assist w/marketing & branding**

*Bob A talked to Judy @ SCORE, likely not a good match for our workgroup

*Susan talked to Len Stevens regarding education workgroup with local Latino parents group to address graduation rates. Susan will take lead in coordinating next steps.

***Steve & Susan to work together on next steps for Sparks Chamber member survey**

*Susan + Jeremy are meeting on 9-21 w/Nevada Microenterprise

***Laura will continue the follow-up with Brent @ Reno Aces**

***Joy Erdelt: Where are we with having lunch @ Job Corps?**

***Jesse will send an electronic copy of Job Corp's and Children's Cabinets MOU**

*Next meeting to be held on Oct. 6th @ 1:00

Current Successes: (will continue capturing these each week)

- 15 "At-risk" youth employed through Children's Cabinet, 5 employed as a direct result of the survey, 1-2 placements with freelancers, 1-2 will be placed with the Reno Aces, 1-2 with Harger Construction.