# MEETING SUMMARY

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| **Meeting** | : | **Youth and Young Adult Committee** |
| Date and time | : | September 22, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. |
| Location of Meeting | : | Mesilla Community Center<br>2251 Calle de Santiago<br>Mesilla, NM 88046 |
| Chairperson | : | Debbie Schoonover |
| Members Attending | : | **Present:** Cassie Arias-Ward*, Alisa Estrada*, Anton Salome*, Debbie Schoonover, Mary Ulrich, Jeff Waugh<br>**Absent:** Tricia Brainard (without cause), Jacqueline Fryar (ex-officio), Sylvia Ulloa (with cause)<br>**Staff:** Fayth Grijalva, Glory Juarez, Angela Longovia, Diana Luchini*, Krisye Shook*<br>*attended virtually |
| Guests in Attendance | : | Dr. Sam Arungwa*, Marissa Molano*, Giselle Palomares*, Sarah Raney*, Karena Vazquez Levario* |
| Summary submitted by/Signature | : | Fayth Grijalva, Administrative Specialist |
| Next Meeting | : | November 17, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. |

| # | Agenda Item | Summary |
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| 1. | **Call to order** | Ms. Schoonover called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.<br>Ms. Schoonover approved virtual attendance for online members. |
| 2. | **Welcome** | Ms. Schoonover welcomed the attendees. |
| 3. | **Roll Call & Abstentions** | Ms. Grijalva called roll; there were no abstentions. |
| 4. | **Public Comment** | No public comment |
| 5. | **Approval of Agenda** | Ms. Ulrich motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Ms. Estrada. Motion passed. The roll call vote was as follows:<br>• Ms. Estrada – yes<br>• Mr. Salome – yes<br>• Ms. Schoonover– yes<br>• Ms. Ulrich– yes<br>• Mr. Waugh – yes |

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| 6. | **Action Items** | a) Approval of August 18, 2026, meeting summary<br>Ms. Ulrich motioned to approve the summary, seconded by Mr. Waugh. Motion passed. The roll call vote was as follows:<br>• Ms. Estrada – yes<br>• Mr. Salome – yes<br>• Ms. Schoonover– yes<br>• Ms. Ulrich– yes<br>• Mr. Waugh – yes<br><br>Cassie joined the meeting at 2:07 p.m. |
| 7. | **Discussion Items** | a) Youth Service Provider Reports<br>• Ms. Ulrich presented the NMSU & DACC 2026–2029 plan, program updates for September, inquiries and enrollments, partnerships and outreach, career and life skills academy, and activities in quarter one.<br>• Members discussed housing and job market challenges. Ms. Ulrich mentioned Gregg Colburn's presentation, "Homelessness Is a Housing Problem," and said she would provide the YouTube link for staff to share.<br>• Ms. Molano presented for Equus. She shared PY25 enrollments by program, Individual Training Accounts by sector, supportive services, a participant success story, and employed youth exiters.<br>• Ms. Padilla reported for the Alamo Navajo Reservation in Socorro County for PY25 Q4 (April, May, and June). She addressed enrollment goals, actual expenditures, an in-school success story, an out-of-school success story, and services.<br>b) Outreach and Initiatives<br>• Ms. Juarez said Ms. Ulrich covered most of the outreach and initiatives in her presentation and welcomed any additional recommendations or discussion from members.<br>c) Membership Update<br>• Ms. Juarez provided an update on expanding Youth Committee membership, with about 11 recommendations going through the process for nominations and appointments. She recommended returning meetings to a quarterly schedule following the updated DWS guidance, and members agreed. |
| 8. | **Member Input** | • Ms. Schoonover thanked Mr. Waugh for joining the committee and thanked members for attending. |
| 9. | **Next Meeting** | Tuesday, November 17, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. |
| 10. | **Adjournment** | Ms. Schoonover adjourned the meeting at 3:07 pm. |

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Attested: Debbie Schoonover Date 11-17-26

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