

GOVERNOR'S WORKFORCE BOARD RI
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
JUNE 9, 2016

MINUTES

Committee Members Present: Chair Robin Coia, Scott Jensen, Steve Kitchin, Bahjat Shariff,
Committee Members Absent: Tim Byrne, Nina Pande
Other Board Members Present: Monica Dzialo, Connie Howes
GWB Staff Present: Heather Hudson, Sherri Carello, Dan Brown,
DLT Staff Present: Carlos Ribeiro, Diane Vendetti
P/C Representatives Present: Brian Hull, Anne Walsh, Adrianna Goode
Location: RI Department of Labor & Training, Conference room 73-2

Chair's Call to Order

Chair Coia called the meeting to order at 8:42 am.

Minutes of the Youth Development Committee

Chair Coia asked for a review of the meeting minutes of the 3-10-16 Governor's Workforce Board Youth Development Committee (YDC). She asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes.

***VOTE:** Steve Kitchin moved to approved, seconded by Bahjat Shariff. All were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.*

Update on Youth Center and CTE Initiative

Chair Coia asked Adrienne Dextrateur provide an update. Adrianna noted this a statewide program

- \$500, 000 was approved.
- 70 Students total,
- \$300,000 of JDF funds combined with local WIOA dollars has been allocated to program
- Provide after school training opportunities for out of school youth ages 17-24
- Provide recruitment and case management by local centers
- Begin in March or April and end by June 30, 2016
- Serving 69 WIOA eligible Out of school youth ages 17-24 , other will be served with JDF funds
- Culinary in Newport and Providence, IT/Microsoft Office in Woonsocket, Construction in Chariho
- Employer partners will include Amica Insurance, CVS, Panera Bread and AAA Northeast
- There will be paid internships through WIOA funds and possibly Work Immersion

Chair Coia asked how many week before internship ends. Adrianna noted training will be completed by June 30, 2016

- More WIOA funds were used this time around
- Sherri And Adrianna to work on youth survey

Question:

Heather asked what is the timeframe on when we will know whether or not someone has received an internship. Sherri noted the goal is to see who got permanently hired.

Update on Submission of USSOL Grant:

Chair Coia asked Adrianna Dextrateur for an update:

- Strategic Plan was launched in December
- Eligible participants are In-school or out of school youth (16-24) with limited current or past work experience
- Purpose is to expand / enhance existing summer employment programs and year round part-time work experiences for ISY up to full time employment opportunities for OSY
 - Integrate youth employment programs
 - Streamline service delivery, align resources, assign youth for entry in workforce
 - Build Career Pathways for Youth

Activities:

- Skills training leading to career pathways
- Supportive services / case management
- Career Development / career counseling services
- Connecting with state and local career pathways efforts
- Connecting to earn and learn opportunities

Requirements / restrictions:

- Partnerships between WIBs, summer employment programs , employers
- Focused on high poverty, high crime communities
- Cannot use money to supply activities already supported with USDOL funds, must provide new activities

FY17 Summer Youth Programs:

Chair Coia asked Adrianna provide an update:

Adrianna Noted::

- 14 organization funded
- \$1.4M requested
- 3 companies were first timers
- Served 695 in school youth
- 291 out of school youth served
- Carlos noted total allocation from GWB to WPGRI was \$983,250

Workforce Solutions Providence Cranston:

- 13 organization funded

- \$723,597.31 requested
- 507 served
- Served 417 in-school youth
- Served 90 out of school youth
 - 1.5 m state wide from GWB
 - 986 GRI served

Action Item:

- Adrianna to provide a number on the waitlist

New Business: No new Business

Adjournment: With no further business, Chair Coia asked for a motion to adjourn.

VOTE: Steve Kitchin moved to approve, seconded by Scott Jensen.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 8, 2016

Respectfully submitted,
Dan Brown