

Minutes
Southeast Indiana Workforce Investment Board
Youth Council Meeting
WorkOne – North Vernon
February 25, 2014
10:00am-12:00pm

Attendees: Chuck Kime, Debbie Thomason, Jeff Hartz, Kristal Biehle, Richard Sewell, Jackie Hill, Heather Cooper, Robin Hilber, Sue Zaring

I. Minutes

Jeff Hartz made a motion to approve minutes with suggested changes from October 22, 2014 meeting. Debbie Thomason seconded that motion.

II. Member Updates

Jeff Hartz stated they are accepting applications for summer programs at Hanover College and Saint Margaret Mary's Hospital. The program at Hanover College is a health science summer institute and the program at Margaret Mary's Hospital in Batesville is a health job shadow program, which have both been very successful in the past.

Kristal Biehle reported about the CDC review and survey which overall the feedback was good. However going forward the judges need to be more informed and there needs to be a smoother transition time between competitions and tours for the students.

Robin Hilber stated that at Eco15, they are trying to increase the participating in facility tours since this has proven to be successful.

III. WIOA Update & JAG Sustainability

The new WIOA regulations are being implemented and will be active as of July 1, 2015. Funding and budget amounts have yet to be determined and the Youth Council will be update as information becomes available. However, as of right now the new regulations state that twenty percent of funds awarded will need to be allotted to work experience and a maximum of twenty-five percent of awarded funds will go to in-school youth. Since the youth age limit will be increases to twenty-four years old the Adult Basic Ed programs and Out of School Youth will have an opportunity to strengthen their partnership and expand.

The Department of Labor has stated that they have every intention of authorizing a transitional year for the new WIOA regulations to be fully implemented. To keep the JAG program more sustainably it is important to consider partnering with more employers. As well as retraining staff to consider the programs and partners differently in order to funnel more participation in the out of school youth programs.

IV. Non-JAG CDC Idea

Jeff Hartz discussed the idea of partnering with businesses and education facilities and creating a Maverick Challenge. Using competitions and challenges to reward students could be an option in alternative funding and incentives for youth programs.

V. Adjourn