

YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING

Herkimer, Madison and Oneida

December 16, 2015

8:30 A.M.

Kids Oneida

Attendance:

Suzanne Paddock, Laurel Hartman, Mary Kline, Frank Drayton, Christy Stevenson, Kathleen Rinaldo, Alice Savino, David Mathis, Karin Piseck, Jenny Bryerton, Judy Petroski, Steven Bulger, John Furman, Jim Kattato, MaryEllen Dalton

Kathleen Rinaldo welcomed everyone at 8:33 A.M.

Approval of the 9.23.15 meeting minutes.....Approved.....M/S.....J. Furman/M. Kline

Discussion about identity and scope of youth committee under WIOA to include non-English speaking Youth and Youth with Disabilities:

Under WIOA the need for a Youth Council has been eliminated and the option to have a committee was presented, so the Youth Council has been changed to the Youth and Emerging Worker Committee Chaired by Kathleen Rinaldo and Co-Chaired by Judy Petroski who works with ACCESSVR; With this new committee they will be working more closely with the non-English speaking youth and youth with disabilities. Another role under WIOA is the need for closer relationships with agencies and partnerships with other grants. And it is required to provide 20% of funds for work experiences or OJT's so they will be looking to do more mentoring, job shadowing and more work experiences. The Youth and Emerging Worker Committee has a lot of ideas and is looking to add an Ad Hoc Committee to implement different ideas and alternative ways to entice the youth to come and get engaged. The new committee will be announced at the next Full Board meeting. Also, Kids Oneida who provides mentors at the WIB is raising the age accountability in the justice of youth and vocational type trainings will be subcontracted with Medicaid and will take advantage of partnerships.

Review of HMO Youth Enrollment numbers and Services for PY14: 182 Youth was served.....

2015's Youth Enrollment focus was on Out of school youth and to date 87 youth are enrolled, the numbers are small but more intensive, and some of the numbers for youth will be captured from the program Face Forward. There needs to be more active recruitment, monies need to be spent and ideas are needed on how to engage the youth through social media and neighborhood outreach. There was a suggestion to put together Ad Hoc groups that will help plan with One Stop Center Staff to brainstorm on how to use rap around services, career readiness and entrepreneurship ideas. John Furman of The Municipal Housing Authority would like to volunteer for the Ad Hoc Committee. Also, members would like to know what's available to youth in the Herkimer and Madison Counties.

WIOA Information/Updates:

The State Plan about administering WIOA has been written for 2 months; the plan was produced by Department of Education, OTDA and Department of Labor. The combined State Plan and the Local Plan Workforce Development Councils shall submit their strategic plans to the state Workforce Development Board for review and to the governor for approval. The governor must take action to approve the local Workforce Development Council Plans by June 30, 2016. And we are behind on the transition. The final versions of State Plans must be submitted no later than April 1; drafts of these state plans are required to be posted for public comment for a minimum of 30 days prior to finalization and submission.

Other Business:

One Stop at the Jail (OCCC) is going well and ACCESSVR will have someone at the jail also, they are waiting for approval.

David Mathis reported on the Oneida County Summer Youth Employment Program 2015:

OCWD SYEP served 420 youth
214 males
206 Females

Next meetings: March 9, 2016

May 25, 2016

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9: 35 A.M.