

Region 2 Youth Standing Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday, May 3, 2018

Time: 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Present: Mara Bierbrodt-Gayken, Heather DeGroote, Patti Hanson, Mistie Johnson, Julie Kiger, Amber Kratz, Melinda McGregor, Jordon Monahan, Jane Nelson, Brian Pauley, Heather Stubbe, Brian Warner

1.0 Welcome

2.0 Action Items to approve agenda and previous meeting minutes dated April 12, 2018

No quorum – unable to approve agenda or previous meeting minutes from 11/2/17 and 4/12/17.

3.0 Youth Standing Committee Meeting Discussion

3.1 Current Members, Potential Members – Revised list of current members after removing names of those no longer on the committee. Brainstormed potential board members to ask if interested.

3.2 Goals of the Committee – Committee members will send ideas to discuss at next meeting, which will be the focus. Mistie Johnson requested to receive eligibility criteria in order to help think of goals.

4.0 Updates From Partners

Brian Warner, Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services

- FutureFest – Free event for current high school students the will expose them to drones, nursing simulator, construction simulator, robotics, social media dos/don'ts, speed rounds (example – make a Subway sandwich is 60 seconds). Students must be either on or eligible for IEP for 504. Food provided, possibly transportation.

Amber Kratz, North Iowa Vocational Center

- Summer after school program begins June 11th. Held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 11:00-12:30. Tuesdays will be speakers, other days are activities.

Melinda McGregor, IowaWORKS

- Social Media Breakfast event at IowaWORKS on the 4th Weds each month, 8:30-1:00
- May 10th – military awareness event at Mason City Airport, 9:00-1:00. If weather cooperates, may get to ride in a Chinook helicopter.
- May 23rd – Diversity Awareness panel event at IowaWORKS.

Mistie Johnson, Work Incentives Planning & Assistance

- WIPA staff members are in transition, currently only 2 covering entire state. Encourage folks to call Ticket to Work helpline for general questions to reduce call volume.
- Attending transition fairs.

Jordon Monahan, NIACC Adult Education & Literacy

- HSED summer classes will be held in Mason City, Charles City, and Hampton. Link to summer schedule: https://www.niacc.edu/wp-content/uploads/PDFFiles/Learning_Support/Summer_2018_HSEDABE_Schedule.pdf
- 4 individuals successfully completed integrated welding program.

5.0 Young Adult Program Update

Patti Hanson, WIOA Title 1

Staff is working on developing as many Work Experience Projects (WEPs) as possible to prevent reduction in funding next year.

6.0 Adjournment – Adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Next meeting August 23, 2018. Time TBA.