

ADOPTED
Monterey County Workforce Development Board
Youth Committee
Marina Library, 190 Seaside Circle, Marina, CA
Monday, September 28, 2015

Members Present: Diana Carrillo (Chair), Sharon Albert, Vivian Brennand, Alan Crawford, Mark Gonzalez, Eileen McCourt, Aaron Oskolkoff, Tina Rosa and Joanne Webster

Members Absent: Andy Hartmann, Hunter Harvath, Roxanna Hernandez, Salvador Munoz and Ginger Pierce

Staff Present: Joyce Aldrich, Marleen Bush, Flor Galvan and Terri Gallardo

Others Present: Dana Edgull, Alma McHoney and Pearl Sanchez

Call to Order/Introductions: Ms. Carrillo called the meeting to order at 4:20 p.m. and asked for introductions. A quorum was established.

Changes to Agenda: None

Public Comment/Testimonials: None

Consent Calendar:

1. Action: Approve July 27, 2015 Youth Committee minutes.

Motion: Ms. Webster motioned to approve the minutes.

Second: Ms. Rosa

Approved unanimously by those in attendance

Discussion or Review of Business Calendar Action Items:

1. Action: Receive and accept Program Year 2015-16 report updates on the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth and Silver Star Programs. Receive an update on the progress of the Workforce Innovation Fund and Workforce Accelerator Fund (WAF) 2.0 grants.

Turning Point: Ms. Sanchez reported as of September 28, 2015 Turning Point met their enrollment goal at 100%; work experience placements are at 66% of goal with three more youth anticipated to be placed. Turning Point is meeting its geographic goals and is in the process of working with West County participants on their eligibility and enrollment. Ms. Sanchez reported that Turning Point is working with Wells Fargo to provide Financial Literacy Workshops for their participants and their staff is also pursuing a law office as a possible work experience worksite.

Office for Employment Training: Ms. McHoney reported that OET enrolled 19 new youth; 13 of which are out of school. She also reported that 1 youth was placed in the Creative Technology Industry and 3 were placed in the Hospitality Industry.

Silver Star Program: Ms. McHoney reported that Silver Star received 24 youth referrals of which 20 have been enrolled into work experience. Twelve of these youth are carried over from PY 14-15. She reported that 4 of the referred youths had GPA's of below 2.0 and were not qualified.

Youth Ambassadors for Peace: Ms. Gallardo reported that the DOL Youth Ambassador's for Peace program will be rolled out and an email blast would be sent out today, September 28, 2015. She reported that the program is experimental utilizing innovative strategies that have not been tested. The program is required to have an evaluation component throughout the 36 months of the program. Each cohort is 12 to 18 months long and includes 6 months of alumni services to serve and support 240 youth. She reported that the program hopes to assist out of school youth or in school youth that have involvement in the juvenile justice system. It will have a wide range of services including intense work readiness training, personal money management; life skills education and incorporating mentoring/community service components. She reported that participants will be placed in job opportunities that match their interest for youth to obtain 10 to 15 hours of work time during the week. It's anticipated that workshops will be offered in three different areas throughout Monterey County in Salinas, Marina and Greenfield.

Motion: Ms. Webster motioned to accept the action item as stated.

Second: Mr. Gonzalez

Approved unanimously by those in attendance

- 2. Action: Discuss and move forward the recommendation from the Youth Summit Ad-Hoc Committee regarding the Youth Summit Venue, Date and Curriculum to the full Workforce Development Board for consideration on October 7, 2015.** Ms. Carrillo reported that after several ad-hoc meetings it was suggested that the Youth Summit be held at Hartnell College on Wednesday, February 10, 2016 from 1:00-4:00 pm. She reported that the Summit would contain businesses, and local speakers that represent the major industries in Monterey County as well as booths pertaining to Agriculture, Healthcare, Culinary, Public Safety, Drone presentations and Pre-Apprenticeships. Mr. Oskolkoff stated that he would be willing to donate snacks and water for the summit. It was discussed that additional donations would be needed for food. To entice youth to attend, Ms. Albert emphasized the format needs to involve food, fun and facts. Ms. Albert recommended inviting in-school youth to "bring a friend" who is out-of-school to the Youth Summit. The in-school youth in-turn would be able to gain community service hours for participating and/or perhaps volunteering. The members also suggested promoting the event through YouTube videos, public service announcements and social media. Ms. Carrillo recommended contacting the Epicenter for ideas on how they successfully host events. She also recommended inviting the Epicenter to present at the next full Board meeting.

Motion: Ms. Webster motioned to accept the action item as stated.

Second: Ms. Albert

Approved unanimously by those in attendance

- 3. Update: Summary of current and potential youth grant opportunities.** Mrs. Aldrich reported that the WDB met with the California State Board staff and they indicated that the Prop 39 Pre-Apprenticeship Opportunity will be released within the next two weeks. She also reported that additional funding for those that have been incarcerated will be released within the next two months. Final directives will be released in May 2016 for all allocation requirements.
- 4. Review and discuss the draft Youth Committee agenda for the meeting scheduled for November 23, 2015.** Ms. Carrillo discussed and reviewed the agenda. Ms. Webster requested that Cradle to Careers present at the next Youth Committee meeting.

Announcements: Ms. Carrillo announced the WDB meetings. Mrs. Aldrich announced the opportunity to be hired by Peninsula Security for the Super Bowl. The members asked that Ms. Galvan email them information on the Super Bowl announcement. Mr. Gonzalez announced a Career Fair (CareerGPS) scheduled for October 1 and 2, 2015 at the Cal Expo. He reported that over 6,000 students are expected to attend. Mrs. Brennan stated that the Housing Authority is accepting applications for the housing program until October 3, 2015. She also reported that the Housing Authority as well as Goodwill Central Coast will be holding their 3rd Annual Biggest Little Job Fair in Salinas on North Main Street on October 7, 2015 from 9am-Noon.

Adjournment: Ms. Carrillo adjourned the meeting at 5:45 pm

Motion: Mr. Gonzales motioned to adjourn the meeting

Second: Ms. Albert

Approved unanimously by those in attendance