

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

February 20, 2018

Members Present

Tom Bianco, Co-Chair

Marge Canning, GCIT

Terry Levins, DWD

Daniel Sulpizio, Business

Gregory Wright, GCIT

Rudy Aikens, GC Human Services

Laurie Haldeman, GCIT

Natalie Perez, DWD

Kimberly Webster, Job Corps

Bridget DiGiambattista, WDB Staff

Members Absent

Cleve Bryan, Chair

Kim Gober, GC Housing Authority

Dr. W. King, FBO

Mien Mombo, Dept. of Children & Family

Gina Pratta, Family Success Center

John Rasmus, GC Housing Authority

Michelle Shirey, WDB Director

Jessica Froba, NJJC

Andrea Guzman, DVRS

Erin Klein, Robin's Nest

Susan Perron, Abilities Solutions

Marie Rafter, GC Probation

Sharon Rosado, Abilities Solutions

Kristen Tahaney, Ctr. for Family Services

Visitor

Zuri Green, GCIT Student

Tom opened meeting at 2:05 pm.

Motion to approve December 19, 2017 minutes was made by D. Sulpizio, seconded by L. Haldeman.

Youth Advisory Report

Zuri reported the committee met on January 25, 2018. Six students were present at the December 2017 meeting. The dog chew toy project will continue. A pet food drive will be organized to be held in February, donations will go to Pet Savers organization. They also discussed upcoming job shadow opportunities.

Student Report

Zuri stated she likes the one on one teaching and particularly likes the vocational classes and is interested in cosmetology. She would like to attend the evening cosmetology classes at GCIT.

Status

Gregory reported total number of students passing HSE from July 2017 to December 2017 is 4; total number of eligible certified was 2; HSE completers for December was 1. Total number of students passing HSE from July 2017 to January 2018 is 7; total number of eligible certified was 5; HSE completers for January was 3.

Gregory announced Sandy Uhr will be retiring May 31, 2018.

Gregory stated they are always looking for job shadowing opportunities for the students. Dan stated there are several areas in the banking industry and asked Laurie to email him list of areas of interest and he will match to division(s) at his bank.

Gregory reported they recently met with B. Carey to discuss certifications and credentialing.

New/Old Business

Industry credential update – starting in March 2018, the following new certifications will be added: ServSafe Food Safe Manager; First Aid-American Red Cross; Certified Front Desk Representative; OSHA Forklift Operator.

TABE Testing – new TABE testing will start July 2018, this will be an online test.

Tom spoke about the new Mobile Job Center of Gloucester County.

A motion for adjournment was made by D. Sulpizio, seconded by G. Wright.

The next meeting will be held May 15, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget A. DiGiambattista, WDB Staff