

**YOUTH COUNCIL
OCTOBER 16, 2012**

Members Present

Herb Johnson, Co-Chair
Dan Angelucci, DWD
Dennis Crowthers, Robins Nest
Dr. W. King, FBO
Madeline Vasquez, GC Housing Authority
Joan Killian, Youth One Stop
Karen Dickel, WIB Staff

Ralph Ross, GCIT Youth One Stop
Tom Bianco, WIB Director
Kim Alexander, GCSSSD
Sandy Uhr, GCIT Youth One Stop
Laurie Haldeman, GCIT Youth One Stop

Bridget DiGiambattista, WIB Staff

Members Absent

Charles Ivory, Chair
Evangeline Banks, NJJC
Muncie Buckalew, St. John of God
Arthur Davenport, NJLWD
Andrew DiNardo, GCIT Youth One Stop
Marge Fizur, GCIT
Sam Hudman, GC Housing Authority
Leona Mather, Youth Parent
Sharon Rosado, Abilities Center
Stacey Smith, DVRS
Kimberly Webster, NJ Corps.

Maria Bacon, Abilities Center
Shyeeda Banks, GC NAACP Youth
Nancy Chard, GC Human Services
Ranee Davidson, GCC
Kelly Leyman, Devereux
Eileen Henderson, Center for Fam. Svcs.
Terry Levins, DWD
Susan Perron, Abilities Center
Jenn Shaw, DVRS
Robert Taylor, Boys & Girls Clubs

Herb opened the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

A motion to approve minutes from September 19, 2012 minutes was made by Madeline Vasquez, seconded by Dr. King.

No students were able to attend.

Status

Sandy reported they have had a lot of inquiries from parents of 16 year olds that want to drop out of school. They had 8 calls with interest, but did not meet eligibility requirements, so they were referred to the Continuing Education Office. They mailed 6 applications to eligible students. Three (3) students obtained employment and are being followed.

Ralph reported on October 9th they held a resume workshop, where each student wrote a resume. On October 12, some of the students attended the Career Resource Event. A dress for success in-house workshop on seasonal hiring will be held, the students will then visit the Deptford Mall. Two students will be taking GED test on October 23 & 24. There are 13 students currently enrolled and 1 orientation & TABE test. They will be providing posters/pamphlets to the Pitman Library. Starting vocational programs on October 17; they have added building trades. He is requiring lesson plans from the vocational teachers this year. They are setting a skill set to be reached according to the lesson plans. A glass company from Glassboro visited the Center to discuss having logo, *Youth One Stop Career Center*, etched onto the door and *GED Preparation Program* will be etched on window on second floor. They are waiting on drawing plan. Scott Costello has been placed on their grant full time as shuttle driver & teacher assistant. The math teacher has been extended 30 minutes in the morning.

Old Business

Ralph reported per request of the Youth Council, all students will be followed from the date they receive their GED plus 1 one year following. They will report monthly on all students when progress reports are sent. Currently have 4 students who received their GED and have become employed.

New Business

Budget Explanation –Program Year 2012 WIB Budget, as required by SETC, was presented and approved by the Youth Council. The total amount of funding is \$3,623,984.

Herb asked if part of Kim Alexander’s salary still funded by the grant? The grant is covering a percentage of her salary because she is continuing to provide assistance to Ralph Ross.

A motion for adjournment was made.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget A. DiGiambattista, WIB Staff