

YOUTH INVESTMENT COUNCIL

May 20, 2014

Members Present

Kim Alexandar, GCIT Youth One Stop
Tom Bianco, WIB Director
Laurie Haldeman, GCIT Youth One Stop
Dr. W. King, FBO
Sheila McIlvaine, Abilities Solutions
Sandy Uhr, GCIT Youth One Stop
Karen Dickel, WIB Staff

Dan Angelucci, DWD
Marge Fizur, GCIT
Joan Killian, GCIT Youth One Stop
Terry Levins, DWD
Stacey Smith, DVRS
Madeline Vazquez, GC Housing Author.
Bridget DiGiambattista, WIB Staff

Members Absent

Cleve Bryan, Chair
Muncie Buckalew, St. John of God
Jessica Froba, NJJC
Kelly Leyman, Devereux
Robert Taylor, Boys & Girls Clubs

Shyeeda Banks, GC NAACP Youth Council
Nancy Chard, GC Human Services
Eileen Henderson, Center for Family Svcs.
Leona Mather, Youth Parent
Kimberly Webster, NJ Corps

Visitor

Jerry McGowan, GCIT Youth One Stop

Skadi Rygaand, Youth One Stop Student

Dr. King opened the meeting at 2:00 pm.

A motion to approve April 15 2014 minutes was made by D. Angelucci, seconded by M. Vazquez.

One student attended and reported she likes the program, especially the “one on one” with the teachers.

Youth Advisory Committee – Kim reported 6 attended. They discussed the FunPlex trip on 5/30. Student of the Month was Brittany Ingels. The students suggested the student of the month award should go to student who arrives the earliest or student with most monthly hours.

Mr. McGowan and Mrs. Van Auken are the new math teachers at the Youth One Stop.

Status

Sandy reported the enrollment numbers have been consistent.

No new students for April, 1 student completed.

Workshops continue to be held for the students.

The students participated in a Career Exploration trip to Deptford Mall on April 16, where the students completed job applications.

Kim participated in the Job Fair held at Rowan University on May 5th. She reported a Youth One Stop student approached her and told her that she is studying to be an RN.

Kim reported a request was made to have the ‘signage’ changed on building to reflect the new TASC testing.

Kim stated she is concerned with the recruitment numbers being low for summer program participation. She has requested help/suggestion to help increase enrollment. Additional mailings will be repeated.

Suggestions from group include:

1. Put the application and flyer on our website
2. Email the application and flyer to Madeline Vazquez: mvazquez@hagc.org so that she can mail to all public housing recipients in Gloucester County
3. Send to all Gloucester County libraries for posting
4. Send to Robyn’s Nest
5. Letters to parents of all Gloucester County seniors who have an IEP or 504

- * Mail all GCSSSD senior parents (check actual BBR graduates-not career ctr placements for next yr. and age requirements)
- * Mail all GCIT seniors who have an IEP or 504
- * Mail all Gloucester County sending district CST Directors a letter to be sent to all parents of seniors with an IEP or 504

Note:

Tom Bianco, WIB Director, will present to the Clayton School Board tonight (5/20)
Stacy Smith, DVRS, will present to the Center for Family Services tonight (5/20)

They continue to replenish flyers around the County about the Youth One Stop.

Youth One Stop Graduation will be held June 12, 6:00 pm at the GCIT Theater.

New Business

Stacey Smith, DVRS provided an overview of the many services available by DVRS.

A motion for adjournment was made by K. Alexander.

The next meeting will be held June 17, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,
Bridget A. DiGiambattista, WIB Staff