

## 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, NJJJC  
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