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UPSTATE WORKFORCE BOARD YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING

March 3, 2020 3:30 P.M.

Guests Present:

Ms. Ann Angermeier
Mr. Brent Bishop
Ms. Kathy Bell
Ms. Helen Merriweather
Ms. Michelle Hawkins
Ms. Nikoya Shaw
Ms. Dana Wood

Committee Members Present:

Ms. Lisa Hannon
Mr. Evander Thomas
Ms. Erin Black
Mr. David Wall
Mr. Tony Henderson

Welcome:

Ms. Lisa Hannon, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance. The group gave introductions to Mr. Tony Henderson, a new UWB Board Member and Youth Committee Member.

Financial Update:

Mr. Brent Bishop, UWB CFO, reviewed the Youth program budget reports with the committee. He reported that both programs are tracking well with spending and there were no cost concerns. Mr. Bishop explained the reporting measures for Mr. Henderson. Work-based learning is pacing ahead of schedule this year.

Youth Program Reports/Dashboards:

Both Program Reports/Dashboards were briefly reviewed for information. Ms. Helen Merriweather, ACHIEVE Director, mentioned that she is low on work experience funding. Ms. Kathy Bell, YouthStop Director, noted that their program has made improvements and they are tracking well with work experiences.

Construction Career Fair/Skills USA

Ms. Dana Wood, UWB COO, shared that it was expressed that the ideal target group for a construction fair for this year would be high school seniors, as they would benefit most. A pilot group of 20 students from Highpoint Academy, who are undecided on their steps after graduation and have not received classes at their school's career technology center, were identified to attend the Skills USA state competition. Attending this convention will give these students exposure to what their peers are learning and may possibly interest them in various in-demand career fields including construction. Ms. Wood opened up the floor to the committee to discuss the areas of focus for the group while at the convention.

Monitoring Update:

Ms. Wood reported to the group that state monitoring was postponed. She informed the group that she would send out an update when the new dates are set.

Other Business

Ms. Helen Merriweather asked for a modification to transfer funds from fuel to work experience in the ACHIEVE budget. Ms. Ann Angermeier, UWB Executive Director, mentioned that the request could be presented to the board to allow the program to transfer money, as needed, to cover direct participant costs. Ms. Lisa Hannon asked if anyone wanted to make a motion to present this to the board. **Mr. David Wall made a motion to present the budget modification to the board for approval, Mr. Evander Thomas seconded the motion. The motion carried with no abstentions.**

Adjournment

With no further business or discussion from the floor, the meeting was adjourned 4:15 p.m.

The next meeting will be held April 20, 2020.