

Upstate Workforce Board Youth Committee Minutes January 11, 2017 8:30 A.M. SC Works

Members Present:

Mr. Curtis Anderson, Chair

Mr. Tammy Cooley

Ms. Theresa Perry

Ms. Carolyn Rutherford

UWB Staff Present:

Ms. Ann Angermeier Ms. Hope Howard

Ms. Alice Lang

DEW Representative:

Ms. Amanda Lucas

Guests:

Ms. Kathy Bell - YouthStop™

Ms. Michelle Hawkins - YouthStop™

Ms. Helen Merriweather- ACHIEVE

Welcome

Mr. Curtis Anderson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance.

Financials

Ms. Ann Angermeier reported for Mr. Brent Bishop, who was away on family leave. She reviewed the ACHIEVE and YouthStop program budgets for October 2016 through December 2016. Ms. Angermeier stated everything looked to be on track. There were no additional questions or concerns.

Work-based Learning Update

Ms. Ann Angermeier reported that the spending on Work-based learning is lower than it should be in order to hit the 20% requirement. Board staff will continue to track this closely.

Youth Program Reports/Dashboard

Ms. Helen Merriweather, Director of USC Upstate ACHIEVE Program, reviewed the *Just in Time* reports for November and December 2016 and the *Dashboard* for October 2016 to December 2016, including enrollment (carryover and new), statistics and performance, work experiences/training, leadership projects and several other program highlights. Ms. Merriweather said that the new law,

changing the work-based learning from being done after the GED attainment to being done during the GED, has made things difficult, because it takes the students longer to get their GEDs.

Ms. Kathy Bell, Director of The YouthStop, reviewed the *Just in Time* reports for November and December 2016 and the *Dashboard* for October 2016 to December 2016, including certificate attainment, successful placement, and skill gains attainment. Ms. Bell is working with Dorman and Broome High Schools on recovery programs of students who have dropped out. Dorman will have a day program at their campus while Broome would have its program on-site at YouthStop during the day and possibly in the evening. Ms. Bell also reported the good news about two of YouthStop's graduates. On December 3rd, Evander Thomas graduated with a degree in Nursing from the Mary Black School of Nursing at USC Upstate. Victoria Bruton is now a teacher at Cleveland Elementary School.

Youth Employer Appreciation Luncheon

Ms. Ann Angermeier told the committee that the banquet will need to be moved from May till July because the UWB will not have the money in the budget until then. It was suggested that Ms. Dana Wood create an Ad Hoc committee to help plan the event.

Other Business

Chairman Curtis Anderson told the committee that with regard to work-based learning, a lot of companies are returning to Training Within Industry (TWI) which started at the beginning of World War II. He believes this will help young people to become more focused because the whole point of education began as a way to improve the workforce. He encouraged members of the committee to look up TWI to learn more about it.

Adjournment

With no further business or discussion from the floor, the meeting adjourned at 9:32 a.m.

The next meeting will be held on March 8, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.