



## **UPSTATE WORKFORCE BOARD YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING**

**February 14, 2023**

**3:30 p.m.**

### **Committee Members Present:**

Ms. Erin Black, Chair  
Mr. Doug Bryson  
Mr. Josh Cleapor  
Mr. Jay Coffey  
Mr. Jerome Kirkland  
Ms. Theresa Perry  
Ms. Susan Rogers

### **Guests Present:**

Ms. Ann Angermeier  
Ms. Anna Oswald  
Ms. Nikoya Shaw  
Ms. Dana Wood

### **Welcome:**

Ms. Erin Black, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance.

### **Financial Update:**

Ms. Dana Wood, UWB Associate Director, reviewed the January Youth program budget report with the committee. She stated that things are tracking well. Ms. Wood shared details of the previous modification that the board approved at their last meeting. An increase in the van drivers' wages was necessary. The wage was increased from \$12 per hour to \$14 per hour for the remainder of this program year.

### **ACHIEVE Program Reports/Dashboards:**

Ms. Anna Oswald, ACHIEVE Director, presented the January Dashboard and Just in Time Report. She shared a client success story for a student in Cherokee County. Ms. Oswald also shared that one of the instructors would be on leave soon and they feel they have adequate coverage for that time.

Ms. Oswald shared that CellBotics is moving to a virtual platform which would allow students to participate in that training at a reasonable cost. She explained that it is approximately \$300 per month for up to 50 students. This new option will help students not eligible for forklift training to get a relevant credential. She noted that funds for this training are already allocated in the budget with no additional funding necessary.

### **Youth of the Year**

Ms. Wood shared the nomination form for the Youth of the Year award and gave the rubric for selecting the recipient. Ms. Ann Angermeier, UWB Executive Director, shared an incentive could be given with the award. Ms. Wood stated that the incentive policy could be updated to reflect this. She noted the hope is to have one participant nominated from each county. There was discussion on providing \$25 gift cards for each nominee with the overall award winner being decided by the board.

The committee gave feedback on the questions. Ms. Wood shared that nominations could be reviewed at the next meeting in April.

**Adjournment**

With no further business or discussion from the floor, the meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

**The next meeting will be held April 25, 2023.**