



## NEIR WIB Youth Council Meeting

November 15, 2011

9:00 a.m.

200 E. Main Street, Suite 910

Fort Wayne, IN 46802

### MINUTES



**PRESENT:** Cheryl Bartnick, Larry Gerardot, Mary Morris, Mary Nance, John Niederman, Christine Singleton, Shirley Woods and Jerry Yoder

**STAFF PRESENT:** Anne Meadors, Edmond O'Neal, and Kathleen Randolph

**GUEST:** Leslie Crist – IDWD

#### **I Call to Order**

Edmond O'Neal called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

#### **II Consent Agenda**

Edmond asked the members if the Council would like to follow Roberts Rules of order or Consensus. The Council members agreed to a Consensus format. Members reviewed the Minutes of the 9.13.11 which were approved as submitted.

#### **III Metrics**

Edmond presented the Metrics Report. Since the July 1, 2011, 15 youth have attained credentials. It has been reported that between 11 and 16 more youth have also attained credentials, however we are awaiting documentation to substantiate this. It was noted in the Northeast Indiana Youth Workforce Service System report that there are gaps with regards to services in some counties. The NEIR WIB is required to provide WIA youth services in each county, however if a service provider in each county, other funding streams can be accessed to provide services. Region 3 has the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest program in the state. The graduation rate for a JAG participant in Region 3 is traditionally 90%, statewide it is 88% and the non-JAG graduation rate statewide is 72%. Council members suggested ways to recruit more JAG members; however Edmond explained that some students may not be eligible due to school credits needs. It was also suggested to investigate an after school JAG program. Members agreed that the challenges with an after school program are getting a school system to agree to this and transportation. The JAG program in Region3 is almost to capacity, staff are currently in the WIA documentation verification process.

#### **IV Youth Council Business**

Members suggested that the Youth Council seek private funding resources be explored within the region and also that agencies partner to create resource development.

- Summary of Request for Proposals (RFP) – Edmond reviewed with members the WIA Youth RFP Scoring Criteria which was adopted by the USDOL and used to score the RFP's along with the WIA Youth proposal submission and scores. Six submissions were received and all organizations had attended the capacity building sessions. Some RFPs were submitted to only oversee the JAG program, some to service only out of school youth and some to provide all youth services.
- WIA Title I Youth Service Provider Recommendation(s) – After reviewing the RFP's, the NEIR WIB would like to enter into negotiations with several of the organizations that submitted proposals before a recommendation is brought before the council.

#### **VI Announcements**

- JAG National Student Leadership Conference – Edmond reported that three female students and a JAG advisor will leave for the JAG NSLC in Washington DC Wednesday evening. One of our attendees was named the Outstanding Junior in Public Speaking for the State of Indiana and will compete at the national level at the conference. This trip was made possible from the sponsorship of Pro Resources. For each attendee, this is the first time that they have been away from home and traveled on a plane.
- The next meeting will be Tuesday January 10, 2012

#### **VI Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 10:00.