



Mississippi Valley Workforce Development Board

Youth Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 10, at 4:00 p.m., via Zoom

Members Present: Jacob Nye, Rebecca Ruberg, Regina Matheson, Heather Halbbrook, Charlene Fitzgerald, Martha Bell, Carol Reynolds, and Andy Sokolovich.

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Miranda Swafford, Executive Director, Andrea Taylor, Strategic Partnership Specialist and Mandy Tripp, Compliance Officer

CEO Present: None

Equus Staff: Kendra Schaapveld, Title One Director, Shannon Weaver, Title One Operations Manager, Taylor Longstreth, Title One Operations Manager, and Tabytha Seigfried, Quality Assurance

One-stop Operator: Nick Clayton

CALLED TO ORDER

Nye called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

QUORUM

There was a quorum to conduct business.

CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda included approval of the agenda and approval of previous meeting minutes. Sokolovich made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Matheson, motion carried.

YOUTH BUILDING SYSTEM ACADEMY

Krista Tedrow presented a broad overview of their area's participation in Youth Building System Academy; she shared a PowerPoint that will be sent out for the committee to review. South Central involved youth in the process along with community-based organizations, both youths spoke about their perspectives and how they were allowed to participate. Their focus right now is Wapello County. The youths advised they learned about positions they did not know existed and they learned that they were surprised at how passionate the community is about this topic.

EQUUS JUNE YOUTH REPORT

Schaapveld reported 13 out-of-school youth enrollments and 2 in-school youth enrollments for June and 2 entered into Occupational Skills Training. 29 stipends and 35 incentives were paid out in June. Schaapveld also reported outcomes for June: 2 CNA, 1 CDL, 1 Phlebotomy Tech, 1 HiSED, and 7 unsubsidized employments. The customer satisfaction survey was 93.96% in June. Schaapveld presented four participant highlights which all were involved with small businesses.

VIRTUAL REALITY METRICS REPORT

Schaapveld stated they had 31 unique users this month. 59 Sims started with 27 completed. 2 youths started in the Virtual Training Facility and completed 14 simulations. Schaapveld advised they have the new VR headsets and towards the end of the month, the new healthcare suite has been uploaded. Nye advised it will help even with basic life skills for culinary skills or healthcare CPR.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURN

Ruberg made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Matheson and the motion carried. Nye adjourned the meeting at 4:43 p.m.