

# **NR/MR WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD YOUTH COUNCIL**

## **MEETING MINUTES**

### **“INFORMATION ONLY”**

**December 9, 2010**

#### **Council Members**

Linda Midgett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair  
Dr. Mark Burnette  
Shiela Wambolt  
Mary Critzer  
Stephanie Pennington

#### **Guest**

Missy Bray – Goodwill Industries  
Gray Parks – Rooftop of VA CAP  
Traci Mitchell – People Inc.  
Dana Laney – People Inc.

#### **Staff**

Ronnie Martin

At 9:45 AM, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair Linda Midgett called the meeting of the Youth Council to order, noting that a quorum was not present. No action was taken during the meeting due to the lack of a quorum. Approval of the meeting minutes of the October 21, 2010 Youth Council meeting will be deferred to the February 17, 2011 meeting.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair Midgett asked if anyone in the audience would like to address the Youth Council, hearing none, she proceeded with the agenda.

Next 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair Midgett asked Mr. Martin to present the Financial Reports. Prior to presenting the Financial Reports, Mr. Martin informed the Youth Council that Ms. Galena Grubb, with Juvenile Probation and Parole in Wytheville, had been appointed to the Youth Council. He also indicated that some interest had been shown by Brett Rader, Housing representative in Giles County, in becoming a Youth Council member to replace Shiela Wambolt. Mr. Martin indicated that he would keep the Youth Council updated as things progress. Next, Mr. Martin presented the Financial Report. Mr. Martin brought the Council's attention to the Financial Report for the period July 1, 2010 through October 31, 2010. Mr. Martin noted that all Program Operators had expended funds in line with projections. Mr. Martin also reviewed with Council Members the ARRA Financial Report for the period May 1, 2009 through October 31, 2010. All ARRA Youth Operators

have done a great job expending funds and currently almost all funds have been expended.

Youth Operator representatives present presented information to Council members concerning 2010 Formula Youth activities. Presentations were made as follows:

Traci Mitchell – People Inc. of Virginia

Gray Parks – Rooftop of VA-CAP

Missy Bray – Goodwill Industries of the Valleys, Inc.

Next, Mr. Martin reviewed various service delivery options for PY'11. He indicated that he had not received official word from Rob Goldsmith, People, Inc., concerning his desire or lack of desire to continue the sub-contract arrangement with Rooftop for Adult/Youth service delivery in the Carroll/Grayson/Galax area. Mr. Martin indicated that if People, Inc. does not wish to continue the subcontract arrangement with Rooftop for PY'11 that the contract extension would not apply for the Mt. Rogers area but only for the New River Valley area. The WIB One Stop Committee will be meeting on December 13 to discuss service delivery options for the Adult and DLW programs. Additionally, the WIB has established the policy that Adult and Youth services be delivered by the same agency in a jurisdiction. After much discussion, the consensus of the group was as follows:

- A. Support the recommendation of the One Stop Committee if a separate procurement action (RFP) is required due to People, Inc. deciding not to continue the subcontract arrangement with Rooftop for PY'11
- B. If a RFP is issued, the Youth Council supports issuing it only for the Mount Rogers Area and not all of WIA 2. This allows for a contract extension option in the New River Valley.
- C. The Youth Council wanted it conveyed to the One Stop Committee that they support extension of our current operational arrangement for PY'11 because they feel that it is working well.

Mr. Martin indicated that he would convey the wishes of the Youth Council to the WIB One Stop Committee for their consideration.

Next, Mr. Martin asked the group if they had any thoughts for special initiatives for PY'11. Dr. Burnette indicated that Virginia Tech had a program entitled "Kids Tech U" or "Kids U", which focused on serving underserved youth in science/technology/engineering/math areas. He will send Mr. Martin more information on this program and Mr. Martin will disseminate the information to all Youth Program Operators. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair Midgett asked the Program Operators what they felt was the greatest need of our youth. Each responded that reliable transportation was the primary need for all of our youth. Ms. Laney discussed some possible options being considered by People, Inc. to address this problem.

Mr. Martin next reviewed the youth key indicators sheet with Council members and requested that any questions be directed to Marty Holliday, Deputy Director.

Mr. Martin reviewed the inclement weather policy with Youth Council members.

The 2011 Youth Council meeting schedule was reviewed noting that the next meeting of the Youth Council will be held on February 17, 2011 at the Wytheville Workforce Center beginning at 9:30 AM.

Mr. Martin passed out 2011 planners and pens to everyone present.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair Midgett at 10:50 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ronnie Martin  
Executive Director