Humboldt County Workforce Investment Board

YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday • May 12, 2015 • 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
Prosperity Center:  520 E Street, Eureka, CA

MINUTES

Members Present: Connie Lorenzo, Dennis Mullins, Shelley Nilsen, Jon Sapper, Dale Maples, Kelly Mendonca

Members Absent: Terry Coltra, Bill Damiano

Others Present: Cindy Harrington

AGENDA:

1. OPENING
   a. Call to Order
      Chair Dennis Mullins called the meeting to order at 3:41 p.m.  A quorum was present.

   b. Self-introductions of Youth Council members, staff and public
      Introductions were not necessary.

   c. Adjustments to the Agenda
      No adjustments were made to the agenda.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT for items not on the agenda
   There were no public comments.

3. DISCUSSION and ACTION ITEMS
   a. Minutes (~:05)
      It was moved by Kelly Mendonca and seconded by Shelley Nilsen to approve the March 10, 2015 draft minutes as written. Motion carried.

   b. Youth Contracts (~:60)
      Youth Council reviewed and discussed 3rd Quarter Reports. Staff explained that Eureka City Schools, Southern Humboldt Unified School District and Fortuna Union High School District had all submitted their early contract termination letters, effective June 30, 2015. Staff is currently writing the youth RFP for the Southern Humboldt, Eel River Valley and Eureka regions with the intention to release on May 22, 2015. A scoring committee was established to include Youth Council members, Shelly Nilsen, Kelly Mendonca, Bill Damiano, and Dennis Mullins.
      One final meeting will be scheduled on June 30, 2015 to make the recommendation for new youth contracts in the Southern Humboldt, Eel River Valley and Eureka regions.
c. WIOA Discussion (~:30)

WIOA eliminates the requirement of a Youth Council. The EC committee requested the Youth Council determine when the board should be concluded. After discussion, it was moved by Jon Sapper and seconded by Connie Lorenzo to make the following recommendation to the WIB:

1. Youth Council will conclude on June 30, 2015.
2. The Youth Council would like to make a recommendation to the full WIB to establish an affiliated group who addresses youth work experience, internships and apprenticeships.
3. The Youth Council would like to make a recommendation to the full WIB to annually convene a group of youth to provide input about workforce.

Motion carried.

4. INFORMATIONAL
   a. Staff Reports
      There were no reports.

5. CLOSING
   a. Announcements
      Jon Sapper announced that HSU has been working with Decade of Difference to submit an application for an award to further the linkages between the programs, including “I’ve been admitted to College” and “Tuition Guarantee”. HSU has been awarded 3 million dollars.

      Jon Sapper announced the Eel River Valley Multigenerational Community Center is beginning to have design discussions for youth activities. They are looking for input for youth activities.

      Connie Lorenzo announced the Spring Job Fair will be held at the Adorni Center on March 15, 2015.

   b. Adjournment (5:00 p.m. or earlier)
      Chair Dennis Mullins adjourned the meeting at 4:32 p.m.
The next scheduled YC meeting date will be
June 30, 2015 from 3:30 -5:00 at the Prosperity Center, 520 E Street Eureka.