

SOUTH CENTRAL REGION
YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
WINONA, MISSOURI
TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2011

The Youth Council of the South Central Region met on Tuesday, July 26, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at the Educational Center of the Department of Conservation in Winona. Chairperson, Lisa Aden, called the meeting to order. Members present included: Melissa Robbins, Lisa Roark, Donna Frey, Annie Williams, Nancy Horton and Jody James. Guests included: Amanda Grigsby, Valarie Haring, Cindy Bridges, Janet Ebersole, Travis Smith, Vicki Reed and Tim Aslin.

Minutes of the previous meeting were distributed prior to the meeting. Nancy Horton moved the minutes be approved as presented. Lisa Roark seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The agenda was revised to include the election of officers. Donna moved to approve the agenda with revisions. Nancy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Lisa Roark moved to approve the recommendation of new members. Jody James seconded the motion. Motion carried to present the new members to the Workforce Investment Board for approval.

The WIA Youth Manual was presented. Corrections/additions were noted. Cindy Bridges questioned if training limits for the region should be included. Donna moved the manual be approved with revisions. Nancy Horton seconded the motion. Motion carried. Lisa Roark abstained.

Lisa Roark moved to leave the current slate of officers in place. Donna Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the declining number of people in attendance at the Youth Council meetings. Annie Williams suggested using a proxy member if someone could not be present. Amanda explained the Youth Council does not have a mandatory attendance policy. She will contact members prior to the next meeting to determine if they are interested in remaining on the Youth Council. Lisa Aden, Lisa Roark, Donna Frey, Nancy Horton and Jody James offered to call members prior to the next meeting to encourage them to attend.

Melissa explained the out of school youth literacy and numeracy scores. She explained each youth who is enrolled as "out of school" affects this score. The program operators can recruit youth for this program.

Tim Aslin provided information on Job Corps. He described the two year program which provides training for seven different trades. Youth can study for their GED while attending a trade school. The program offers an open enrollment without semester begin and end dates. The center currently has 215 youth attending with a maximum capacity of 224.

Vicki Reed and Travis Smith discussed Division of Youth Services. Both agreed the courts are doing more diversion strategies to keep youth integrated in their community.

As there was no further business, Donna Frey moved the meeting adjourn. Nancy Horton seconded the motion. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jody James
Youth Council Secretary