

SOUTH CENTRAL REGION
YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
WINONA, MISSOURI
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2011

The Youth Council of the South Central Region met on Tuesday, October 25, 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: Travis Smith, Vicki Reed, Jordan Land, Pat McBride, Melissa Robbins, Lisa Roark, Donna Frey, Annie Williams, Tim Aslin, Cammie Younger and Jody James. Guests included: Amanda Grigsby, Valarie Haring, Cindy Bridges, Carla Henderson and Martha Mills.

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

Melissa requested a youth update from both subcontractors. Lisa Roark from Ozark Action, Inc. explained they are required to work with carry overs from the previous year. The youth are also required to be in follow up for one year after exiting the program. Ozark Action, Inc. has approximately 100 youth in follow up. They are currently serving 32 youth with an obligated \$9,217.65 for In-School youth and \$15,901.04 for Out-of-School youth. They had spent 27% of their budget on September 30th. Cindy Bridges, S.C.M.C.A.A, reported they are 18% obligated on In-School youth and 48% obligated on Out-of-School youth. They have 30 youth currently enrolled and 54 in follow up with 6 youth left on the SPYC program. They have spent 7% on In-School youth and 13% on Out-of-School youth. Lisa Aden asked how the program operators find the youth to enroll in the program. Melissa explained that each subcontractor included a recruitment strategy in their youth proposals.

Carla Henderson was recommended to represent AEL on the Youth council. Lisa Roark moved to approve the recommendation of new member, Carla Henderson. Cammie Younger seconded the motion. Motion carried to present the new members to the Workforce Investment Board for approval.

New member recruitment was discussed. Melissa explained we have several areas that are no longer being represented on the council. She suggested we find a member to represent law enforcement. Lisa Aden said she should take responsibility for finding new members. Pat McBride said the DOL website has a toolkit and cd for Youth Councils. She said an issuance would be forthcoming regarding to the role of the council.

Amanda provided the State Park Youth Corp (SPYC) report. She explained eligibility for the program followed the WIA guidelines. DWD selected the state parks which served as a worksite. The youth received a maximum of 480 hours of work experience to be completed by November 30th. The youth served as interpretive aides, clerical positions, concession stand workers, park maintenance and worked in the visitor booth. The council suggested inviting one of the youth to join the council and attend the next meeting. Amanda said the Governor has been very supportive of the program but next year's program will depend on funding.

Youth file review was discussed. The council agreed the file review is a great way to support the providers and offer resources for services. Valarie informed members they will need to take the DWD confidentiality test before they can participate in the file review. The council agreed to meet on January 11th at 10:00 a.m. for an introduction on the file review process and to set up dates for the review to take place. Logistics will be set up by the WIB staff.

Pat McBride suggested the council look at Resource Mapping. Lisa Aden suggested this be added to the January agenda.

The Youth Council bylaws were discussed. Members agreed the bylaws need to be reviewed and updated. Martha Mills suggested the officers meet with Amanda to update and present to the council for approval.

As there was no further business, Lisa Roark moved the meeting adjourn. Cammie Younger seconded the motion. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jody James
Youth Council Secretary

Lisa Aden, Chair

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