



**LCWDB Hybrid Youth Committee Board Meeting
Friday, May 10, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.**

Minutes

Members Present: In-person: Valdijah Brown, Jean Martin, Francis Miliano, Kimberely Patrick, Susan Richeson

Via Teams Video Conference: Victor DeSantis, Melissa Reed, John Robbins

Staff, Contractors, and Guests: In-person: Carrie McCullough, Mary Byrd, Anna Ramos Ashley Rader

Via Teams Video Conference: Stella-Marie McKittrick,

Welcome/Roll Call and Request for Public Comment

At 8:02 a.m., Chairperson Francis Miliano called the meeting of the Youth Committee of the Lancaster County Workforce Development Board (“LCWDB”) to order and made a request for public comment. No public comments were presented to the Board.

Action Items

A. Approval of March 8th Meeting Minutes

Francis Miliano presented the minutes from the March 8th, 2024, meeting to the board. No discrepancies were noted.

After discussion and on motion duly made by John Robbins and seconded by Jean Martin, it is:

RESOLVED, that the meeting minutes from March 8th are hereby approved.

(Motion carried unanimously. There were no abstentions.)

Introduction of New Assistant Director Carrie McCullough, MPA

Youth Committee members went around the room and gave brief introductions to



their roles and how it relates to their service on the LCWDB Youth Committee

and guest Ashley Rader was present and introduced herself as the new OVR Early Reach Coordinator for OVR Lancaster County and Admas County. New Assistant Director Carrie McCullough provided her work history, experience, and education as it relates to her new role and shared her excitement to be on board.

Discussion Items

A. Transportation Sub-Committee Updates

Youth Coordinator Mary Byrd went over the purpose of the sub-committee and its importance based on the data collected from the disconnected youth study. The meeting minutes from the last sub-meeting were discussed and reviewed and the topic of Uber Business was discussed as a possible resource to provide transportation to Out-Of-School (OSY) youth transportation to and from work or post-education institutions.

Guest member Ashley Rader suggested that we try to select highly rated drivers and provided us with the options to select a “preferred” driver.

John Robbins stated that with Cross Net Ministries, being newer to this initiative, they prefer not to join at this moment but potentially in the future.

Mary Byrd will also coordinate with all sub-committee members on the status of their research updates.

Kim Patrick suggested we be mindful of endorsing organizations such as Uber or Lift.

Stella (Youth Programs Manager) from EDSI suggested we investigate the free rides option that Uber might have, and Stella will get back to us on how that might work out for our youth here in Lancaster County.

B. Kiosk Update

Youth Program Coordinator Mary Byrd shared updates on the Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies that took place throughout Lancaster County the week of May 7th through May 9th. Now we have a total of 39 kiosks located throughout Lancaster County which includes Tyrone Miller from Lancaster Works and Cheryl Hiester from Lancaster Literacy Council. The status of the current Career Pathways was shown, and Mary will continue to work with the Business Service Team to educate different industries on the benefits of career pathways. Mary Byrd discussed the additional 5th section that will be added to the kiosk and updates as to when this section will be live. Mary also provided a update on the Educator Industry Tours, the flyer has gone out and educators have already began registering for the tours.



Career Ready Lancaster! Updates

Youth Committee member Kimberley Patrick gave updates on Career Ready Lancaster! progress with the scenario cards and walked the youth committee members through the website, outlined how to find the career pathways and the purpose of CRL! and the status of getting the scenario cards finished and finalized. Kim is also working with different industries to educate them on the benefits of having career pathways outlining the need for High Five training with soft skills in colleges. Valdijah Brown recommended Youth Coordinator Mary Byrd work with Thaddues Stevens and provided a connection to Mary to learn more about their scholar Bridge Program. Discussion was had about potentially highlighting efforts at the Lancaster STEM Alliances Workforce Summit and discussion with Dr. Lauren Beal.

Victor DeSantis highlighted that the HIGH Five Skills are being implemented within Millersville University co-curricular/curricular programs and are also highlighted within the General Education courses and the university core values. Discussion was had about student involvement and student perspectives on the scenario cards.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

Youth Program Coordinator Mary Byrd gave an update on the next meeting dates and recommended that all youth committee members that are interested in attending please look out for the doodle poll for the next Transportation subcommittee.

Next meeting date is **Friday, July 12 at 8AM** looking to get New Contractor overview of plan addressing disconnected youth data relating to transportation and utilizing supportive services funds. Also looking to create PY24-25 Youth Committee goals.

Friday, September 13th at 8AM New youth contractors progress reports.

Adjournment

Chairperson Francis Miliano adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m. without objection.