

## Youth Standing Committee Meeting

September 8, 2016

Members in attendance:

Noel Gordon	IHCC Department Chair of Learning Services
April Maldonado	IHCC- HiSet Program
Troy Seeley	Juvenile Court Services
Holly Dommer	American Home Finding
Toby Mitchell	Truant Officer/Homeless Liaison
Megan Yeager	Ottumwa Job Corps
Susie Drish	WIOA Generalist

Guests:

LuAnn Eakins	Counselor, Pekin CSD
Lindsay Anderson	Promise Jobs Counselor
Joan Garrett	Early Childhood Behavior Intervention Project Coordinator, Great Prairie Area Education Agency
Angelisa Fynaardt	Associate Administrator, Great Prairie Area Education Agency

Since Karen Swanson and Rebecca Schmitz our Co-Chairs were not able to attend the meeting, Susie Drish was asked to conduct it.

Susie asked that everyone at the table go around and introduce themselves along with how they work with youth.

**Susie** – WIOA Generalist for Adult, Dislocated Worker, In-School and Out-of School Youth. We are now spending 75% of our funding on out-of school youth; we still assist in-school youth we just have to focus on the most at risk of dropping out. We can offer incentives for grades, \$50 for A, \$35 for B and \$20 for C and \$100 for high school diploma. We also do work experiences to assist them with their soft skills and work ethics.

**Lindsay**- Promise Jobs counselor, work with adults/youth to become self-sufficient.

**Troy** – juvenile system

**Holly**- foster children

**Joan**- teaches parenting classes and experience working with youth for over 20 years.

**Angelissa** – is on several committees regarding youth not to mention attending school board meetings for all 10 counties.

**LuAnn**- Counselor for Pekin CSD grades K-12.

**Noel**- Department Chair over HiSet, ESL and Success Center

**April**-HiSet

**Megan**-Business Community Liaison for Job Corp.

The remainder of the meeting was roundtable discussion on resources available for youth and issues everyone is having and how to assist each other. After the great input from everyone, it was suggested that the list of members be sent out to everyone so they could have it for referrals/information.

One of our goals is to have resources available to everyone that needs them in our region. Lisa passed out the Services Available for Youth Handbook for everyone to review and make any additions or changes and submit back to her by November 9<sup>th</sup>. I would like to have the updated version ready for the next meeting December 8<sup>th</sup>. One suggestion was maybe making a poster that has some resources on it that could be posted around the schools.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30.

Minutes submitted by Lisa Stek