

**Youth Standing Committee (YSC) Meeting
Region 1**

Minutes for Tuesday, July 17, 2018

10:00 a.m.

Keystone AEA, Elkader, Iowa

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Members Present via Conference Call: Fern Rissman, Jamie Phipps, Courtney Adam, Ron Axtell, Keri Maas, Brianne Farrey, Patrick Taggart, and Jeff Beneke

Members Absent: Marla Loecke, Amy Chicos, Gisella Aitken-Shadle, David Boss, Hannah Steiber, Kathy McCarthy, Stephanie Maury, Lisa Curtin, Jean Bossom, Caprice Jones, Jeanne Helling, Gina Robinson

Welcome/Introductions:

Fern welcomed all to the meeting, and introductions were made.

Discussion and Action

- **Consider Approval of Agenda** – Motion Benke, seconded Farrey, to approve agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
- **Youth Interagency Roundtable Sharing**
 - Ron and Fern updated the group Youth Career Connect Grant that will be ending September 30. Also discussed guidelines for youth under WIOA, Future Ready Iowa, work-based learning, career exploration for sophomores and up, A-Game work ethic training, job retention. Ron also discussed the realignment of regions. The committee has met 3 times. They have narrowed down on recommendations from RWDB/CEO boards. Recommendation for 2 regions has been given.
 - Jeff Beneke, Governor's STEM Advisory Council. Serving 6 regions/16 counties. STEM Festivals have been scheduled for October 18, 2018, Upper Iowa University, Fayette; April 6, 2019, Loras College, Dubuque; and April 11, 2019, Howard County Fair Grounds, Cresco. Applications for the STEM Best Grant for \$25,000 w/match are being accepted. This is for K-12 public schools. Deadline is September 12, 2018.
 - Keri Mass, Voc Rehab, Dubuque. Summer programs were set up for MFL/MarMac Jr./Sr. to include tours of John Deere in Waterloo; however, the program was cancelled due to low student interest. Dubuque is to be set up and start with students this fall.
 - Pat McTaggart, Proteus. Ramping up clinic. Workers needed in Postville and Guttenberg. Jobs program similar to OJT—1-year follow-up. Reachable at 319-248-0178.
 - Jamie Phipps, Dept. for the Blind. 20 students are involved in the summer program in Des Moines. This program is for 8 weeks and helps with career type skills/job skills.
 - Brianne Farrey, Job Corps, serving 5 counties: Dubuque, Clayton, Delaware, Jackson and Allamakee. Job Corps is a federally funded program that provides academic and career skills training. Eligibility includes individuals ages 16 – 24, low income/poverty level. Individuals with disabilities accepted with no income consideration. Job Corps offers training in Ottumwa and Dennison with free tuition, housing, meals and healthcare. Training is done at the students' own pace/hands-on with a two year maximum. Jobs Corps suggests the full two years, but some can finish training for one trade in 8 months. Other topics included background checks, what would constitute non-eligibility, GED/HSED and diplomas. She will be present at the Dubuque Co. Fair next week. Brianne is reachable at the Dubuque office, 563-564-7029. <https://www.jobcorps.gov>

- Courtney Adam, Northeast Iowa Community Action Corp. Works one-on-one with students about teen pregnancy, preventing child abuse. It was noted that IWD can help with childcare costs for any training.

Floor Items/Closure:

- Proposed meeting dates as follows:
 - Fall: October 16, 2018 – in person (ZOOM available)
 - Winter: January 15, 2019 – conference call
 - Spring: April 16, 2019 – in person (ZOOM available)
 - Summer: July 16, 2019 – conference call

Adjournment:

Motion Axtell, seconded Taggert, to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:34.

Penny Ingles
Keystone AEA