

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

Minutes for Friday, April 13, 2018

10:00 a.m.

Keystone AEA, Elkader, Iowa

[http://www.iowawdb.gov/r1\\_home](http://www.iowawdb.gov/r1_home)

Members Present: Fern Rissman, Lisa Curtin, Hannah Steiber, Marla Loecke, and Ron Axtell.

Members Present via Conference Call: Keri Maas, Brianne Farrey, Amy Chicos, Gisella Aitken-Shadle, and Jeff Beneke

Members Absent:

David Boss, Courtney Adam, Ashley Goltz, Jean Bossom, Caprice Jones, Amy Clemen, Jeanne Helling, Wendy Mihm Herold, Don Keck, Mindy Meyers, Jamie Phipps, Temwa Phiri, Mike Smith, Gina Robinson, and Patrick Taggart

**Welcome/Introductions:**

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

**Discussion and Action**

- **Consider Approval of Agenda** – Motion Steiber, seconded Loecke, to approve agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
- **Consider Approval of Minutes of January 19, 2018** – Motion Axtell, seconded Curtin, to approve minutes as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
- **Youth Interagency Roundtable Sharing**
  - 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. Brianne is reachable at the Dubuque office, 563-564-7029. <https://www.jobcorps.gov>
  - Keri Mass, Voc Rehab, Dubuque. Working on transitions. MFL MarMac teachers/principals are brainstorming for summer programs. Plan to get students into the community visiting NICC, Calmar, local business tours, lasting 2-3 weeks, to continue student engagement.
  - Amy Chico, IWD. Discussed Colors training, youth version. Would have youth bring their "A" game (Attendance, Attitude, Appearance). She would like to connect with the summer programs and get something set up. [amy.chicos@iwd.iowa.gov](mailto:amy.chicos@iwd.iowa.gov)
  - Hannah Steiber, Keystone AEA, NICC, and East Allamakee. Working with CTE/Business programs/Career Coaching. Exploring interest, job shadowing, offering field trips.
  - Jeff Beneke, Governor's STEM Advisory Council. Serving 6 regions/16 counties. Jeff noted that within 2 months, will start accepting application for \$25,000 grant to start the Delco program. He will forward the information to Fern.

- Marla Loecke, IWD, WIOA Title 3 Programs (Wagner Peyser). Discussed the STEM Festival held in Calmar, April 12. 446 people went thru. STEM festivals and for all ages, with hands on activities for younger to MS. The STEM festival in Dubuque will be at Clark College, April 21, 2018. Ron mentioned that there are bus passes at the office for the day of the event for Dubuque Transit system to help people get to and from the event at no cost.
- Ron Axtell, ECIA, WIOA Title1 (Adult, Dislocated Worker, and Youth) Ron discussed the summer program in Dubuque through Dubuque County Conservation working with Hempsted and Dubuque Sr. Special Ed students. He also discussed the realignment of regions. The committee has met 3 times. They have narrowed down on recommendations from RWDB/CEO boards. They are asking for comments by May 4.

- **Interview Stream Presentation (Lisa Curtain):**

Lisa Curtain gave a presentation on the Interview Streaming website that IWD purchases for use by consumers. Different options were discussed such as recording a practice interview to see how one responds and body language, etc. Program is very user friendly. Also, sample interview questions and self-evaluation were also reviewed. It was remarked that this would be helpful for students in career education classes. (see handout) Marla noted that if program was used for classroom or Career Education, please pass this along to them so IWD can justify the cost.

- **Service Directories:**

Fern discussed the links on the agenda for the directories for Great Rivers 211 (<http://www.greatrivers211.org/gr211/>), United Way (<https://dbqunitedway.org>), and Keystone AEA Transition Services (<https://goo.gl/fJCp43>). Discussion followed on the best way to get these directories and others to parents, teachers, etc. Perhaps a Facebook page for the YSC. Marla noted that IWD has a Facebook page and this information is shared there along with the STEM festival and other activities. The possibility of a central location for the links was talked about, as links would always be updated with current information. IowaWorks Facebook links are listed here:

<https://www.facebook.com/iowaworksnorthiowa>

<https://www.facebook.com/Iowaworks-Northeast-Iowa-Decorah-1154732707895053/>

<https://www.facebook.com/IowaWORKS-DubuqueNortheast-Iowa-184383508320325/>

**Floor Items/Closure:**

- Proposed meeting dates as follows:
  - Summer: **July 17, 2018** – Conference call only
  - Fall: **October 16, 2018** – in person (ZOOM available)

**Adjournment:**

Motion Loecke, seconded Curtin, to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:09.

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Penny Ingles  
Keystone AEA