

Meeting Minutes



Youth Committee Meeting
September 20, 2022
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM

Hybrid Meeting In-Person & Virtual:
Northwest Wisconsin Workforce
Investment Board Office
301 Ellis Ave, Suite 3
Ashland, WI 54806

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Attendees: Patrice Carlson Mic Isham Mary McPhetridge (E)
 Jeff Muse Brian Nelson(E) Jennifer Shearer
 Allysa Headley Sheila Young Melissa Weber (E)
 Jake Wyrzykowski(UE) Amanda Popovich (E)

Guests/Staff: Mari Kay-Nabozny Kristina Wright

Primary Meeting Objectives: Review PY 2017 -2021 WIOA Youth Report. Brainstorm engagement ideas for youth programming and outreach. Update on PY 2023 Youth RFP Process.

2:30 – 2:35 **1) Welcome and Opening Meeting Business**
 a) Call to Order
 b) Roll Call
 c) Public Meeting Notice
 [NWWIB staff sent the meeting notice to regional Class A newspapers and regional library systems. In addition, the meeting notices were also posted on the Northwest Wisconsin Workforce Investment Board website and all social media outlets.](#)
 d) Welcome and Introduction of Guests

2:35 – 2:40 **2) Previous Meeting Minutes**
 a) Review and Approve 5.17.2022 Meeting Minutes
 [Motion to approve:](#)
 [2nd:](#)
 [Can't approve, no quorum, push to next meeting](#)

2:40– 2:55 **3) Current NWWIB Initiatives | Mari Kay-Nabozny**
 a) WIOA Youth Enrollment and Expenditures | Mari Kay-Nabozny
 [Mari Kay-Nabozny spoke on the Expenditures. She said that we get money on July 1 and that we have a fair share of money for youth.](#)
 b) WIOA OSY & ISY Enrollment Report PY 2017 – 2021 | Mari Kay-Nabozny
 [Mari Kay-Nabozny spoke on the Enrollment report that was included in the packet. She put forth the question: How do we better engage and reach the youth age group? She commented that there are programs that make excellent](#)

referral resources. Mari clarified that even if an individual is a dropout but is under the age of 17, they are still considered in-school youth. She commented that the in-school youth are reachable, but that the out-of-school youth are the ones we need to work on reaching. Jeff Muse asked Jennifer Shearer if the two of them could meet to talk about a couple of ideas that he had for this issue. Jennifer acknowledged and accepted the potential meeting. Mari asked Sheila Young if she comes across people in the 18-24 age group looking for housing assistance. Shelia said that she only recalls having 5 people inquire. Mari mentioned that this is one of the things that we need to work on. Mari went on to talk about the Move to Manufacturing program and the fact that it isn't working the way that they hoped it would. She is proposing that some of the funds allocated for that program be moved around and used in a more effective way.

2:55 – 3:15

4) Youth Programming and Outreach Updates | All

a) Youth Apprenticeship Enrollment Update | Jeff Muse

Jeff Muse spoke on youth apprenticeship and enrollment. The goal was 44 people enrolled and they ended up working with 42. A proposal was submitted for 103 students, and we have potentially matched that number. The number looks encouraging, but they need to keep going and not let up because Youth Apprenticeship is really taking off. The year before last there were only 28 enrolled and that number jumped to 42 last year and almost doubled this year. Mari mentioned that there are some grants available for youth programs.

b) Summer 2022 Youth Experience Update | Jeff Muse

Jeff muse spoke on the Summer Youth experience. The in-school youth numbers are 51 enrolled. He mentioned that Ashland is the smallest area but that Superior and Park Falls' numbers were great. The out-of-school numbers were 16 enrolled. Mari asked if these numbers are mostly private or public sector. Jeff said that they are coming mostly from the private sector.

3:15 – 3:25

5) PY 23 Youth RFP | Mari Kay-Nabozny

Mari spoke on the PY 23 Youth RFP. She said that the 3-year cycle is over so we will need to start working on the new RFP. Some areas to think about are: What we want to see, what direction we want to go in, and what industry we want to go with. Mari said that we can work on it through winter and have it finalized by mid May. She asked that anyone who would like to help with this contact her. If you are wanting to set the RFP you will not be able to score the RFP because that would be a conflict of interest.

3:25– 3:30

6) Partner Updates on Youth Related Items

a) Comments and Announcements | Committee Members

Jennifer mentioned that after she and Jeff meet they should be able to get some of the Youth enrolled in programs offered by NWWIB.

Jeff talked about one thing that he and Sara are working on is adding a sub-committee. They want to have 60% of the sub-committee be from the original committee and the remainder be school staff. Mari said that we would love to have more people attend/join the committee. She said that everyone is

welcome and it would offer more opportunities for input and knowledge. Patrice said that the Chamber of Commerce in her area is starting to host more events than they had in the recent past. She asked the committee whom they are hoping to have from School staff join the committee. Jeff answered that he would like to have teachers from high schools. Patrice concurred that teachers see more of what is going on with the youth than most other people when it comes to dropouts. She commented that we really need to try to catch those students who are struggling and are at higher risk of dropping out so we can try to get them back on track.

3:30

7) **Adjourn**

- a) Next Meeting Date: January 17, 2023
nothing left to go over.

Additional Instructions:

Related meeting items are included in the packet for your review prior to the meeting. Thank you.