

South Central Workforce Area

Youth Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 14, 2023 @ 11:00 a.m.

The meeting of the South Central Iowa Local Workforce Development Board Youth Committee was held on September 14, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. via Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Greiner called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present: Amanda Brink, Lindsay Cale, Jackie Ellenbecker, Jen Erdmann, Kari Flaherty, Christian Gray, Shea Greiner, Kelli Hugo, Natalie McGee, Warren Schaefer, Kolby Streeby, Lori Wildman Committee Members Not Present: Amber Heckart, Annalena Rippen-Smith, Janet Stegmann, Sandra Wirfs Guests: None

LWDB Staff Present: Teri Bockting - Executive Director, Krista Tedrow – Director of Development, Nicole Krause – Executive Assistant

*CONSENT AGENDA

McGee made a motion to approve the consent agenda; approval of 6.27.2023 meeting minutes seconded by Erdmann. Ayes all, motion carried unanimously.

TITLE I UPDATE

Indian Hills Community College is the Title I Provider. Jen Erdmann gave the update.

COMMITTEE MEMBER EXPECTATIONS

Discussed Youth Committee members expectations.

***VICE CHAIR NOMINATIONS**

Greiner nominated Lindsay Cale and there were no other nominations. McGee made a motion to cease nominations and select Lindsay Cale as Vice Chair, seconded by Schaefer. Ayes all, motion carried unanimously.

YOUTH GRANTS

The board was generously awarded a \$32,500 grant from Legacy Foundation starting August 1, 2023 over the next 6 months to support a Youth Pre-Apprenticeship Hub. As a talent attraction and retention strategy for Wapello County, we will train and pay youth ages 14-26 as consultants to co-design systems through social change initiatives. Youth will expand leadership skills, connect to mentors, and have job opportunities in industries like government, philanthropy, non-profit, education, social services, etc.

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR

iJAG, Ottumwa Community School District, and South Central Iowa Local Workforce Development Board are engaging in an innovative and collaborative partnership. Kolby Streeby was hired as the Authentic Youth Engagement Coordinator/Specialist to implement a Youth Employment Strategy using an evidence-based Positive Youth Development (PYD) model.

ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is Thursday, November 9, 2023 at 11:00 am.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

Erdmann made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Flaherty. Meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.