



EMPLOY MILWAUKEE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Youth Committee
Wednesday, November 2, 2022
1:30pm-3:00pm.
Via Zoom Technology
APPROVED MINUTES

Members: Katrice Cotton, Jolene Cooley, Karen Sotak, Chee Thao, La Toya Sykes, Derick Cornelius, Bevin Christie, Gerard Randall, Jakeim Jackson-Bell

Members Absent: Deshea Agee, Dionne Grayson, Karen Higgins, Donta Holmes, David Knutson, Sharlen Moore, Sylvia Swan

Guests: None

Employ Milwaukee Staff: Julie Cayo, Brenda King, Alec Fischer-DWD,

Dr. Katrice Cotton called meeting to order at 1:35pm.

1. Youth Committee

a. Approval of Minutes from August 10, 2022, Youth Committee meeting

Members briefly reviewed and discussed **August 10, 2022, meeting minutes.**

Gerard Randall motioned for approval of minutes from August, 10, 2022 and La Toya Sykes seconded; meeting minutes approved unanimously.

2. Agenda Item 2: General Updates

Youth program staff are engaged in planning for the 2023 Earn & Learn and Camp Rise Programs. Staff has started seeking organizations and employers for worksites on all social media platforms. Julie Cayo reviewed youth-related reading & resources.

3. Youth Program Reports

Staff provided program reports for YouthBuild, Brighter Futures, WIOA In School Youth and WIOA Out-of-School Youth. YouthBuild enrolled 12 youth for Construction Plus – Healthcare. Of those, four (4) completed and two (2) tested to obtain certification. Eight (8) participants have obtained unsubsidized

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employment with healthcare employers and two (2) completed their HSED. Standards of Excellence in Education is the training provider for this program. The next Construction Plus – Healthcare cohort of 12-14 participants will start on 11/7/2022. The Construction training track for YouthBuild is actively recruiting participants for a November 12th start date.

Brighter Futures is an in-school youth program that complements WIOA In School Youth (ISY). The program's service provider, Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee (BGCGM), is not meeting its contractual goals. Staff meets weekly with the Boys and Girls Club to discuss ways to improve their performance.

4. Youth Committee Member Updates

Gerard Randall thanked the Milwaukee Public Schools and all committee members for hosting the Historic Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) college fair as they were able to serve 700 families.

Gerard Randall moved to a motion for adjournment La Toya Sykes 2nd meeting adjourned at 2:10pm CST.

Next Program Committee meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2023, at 9:00a.m. -10:30a.m.

Next Board of Directors meeting is March 9, 2023, at 8:30a.m. - 10:00a.m.