

## YOUTH EMPLOYMENT COUNCIL

JULY 13, 2010

2:00 P.M.

SENECA ROOM – TST BOCES

**PRESENT:** B. Myers, N. Zook, D. Bradac, L. Schoffel, H. Cooper, J. Bellis, S. Tabor, Y. Merritt

**EXCUSED:** V. Zeppelin, B. Yarosh, R. Pollack

**STAFF:** J. Mattick, J. Luu

### CALL TO ORDER:

Ms. Myers called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m. and introductions followed.

### Teacher Intern Project

The Project begins July 19<sup>th</sup>. Five educators will be participating this year and they are very enthusiastic about the project. The Project will be based on the problem based learning concept and should be very well received.

### Summer Youth Employment Program Update

Ms. Bellis stated the Office of Employment and Training currently has 45 youth on payroll, 25 of which are TANF recipients. The Office will serve 50 TANF youth this summer and is it expected that all of the TANF youth will be on the payroll by the end of the week.

Ms. Tabor stated that the Youth Employment Service has 53 youth in various stages of program entry with 25 youth are currently on payroll, 16 matched to jobs and needing approval, 10 needing approval, and 3 in the early stages of the approval and matching process.

Both organizations indicated they have faced some challenges getting up and started this summer, from late notice of the funding being made available, to trying to do the paperwork, interviews, matching and approval while other teens are already working.

### Health Careers Expo

Planning is underway for the second annual health careers expo. The event is scheduled for October 14, 2010 at Ithaca College. Volunteers are still needed as a greater number of youth are expected to attend this year.

### New Initiatives

The Workforce Investment Board has been working on the workforce strategy and two initiatives have been identified; the first is a regional internship/job/career fair to be held for youth that is modeled after the "Home for the Holiday's" fair held in Binghamton. Ms. Mattick stated that it is possible that this type of activity could be funded through the 13N initiative that is working on youth pipeline development. The second area that has received attention is finding ways to get more information out to the schools. Ms. Mattick noted the Chenango Delaware Otsego Workforce Investment Board is working with SUNY Oneonta and an occupational trends class that provides tours for teachers in businesses. SUNY Cortland could be a partner in a similar initiative in Tompkins County and linking with Leadership Tompkins could also be a possibility.

### Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:03 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13, 2010, at 2:00 p.m. at BOCES.

Minutes prepared by Jennifer Luu.