

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT COUNCIL

MAY 8, 2012

2:00 P.M.

ONE-STOP CONFERENCE ROOM

PRESENT: A. Hendrix, N. Zook, L. Schoffel, D. Bradac, J. Bellis, S. Tabor, R. Pollack

EXCUSED: V. Zeppelin, K. Lind, H. Cooper

STAFF: J. Luu

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting began at 1:32 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Bradac announced that a hospitality training event is being held June 19-20. It was designed to help individuals build their knowledge about the Tompkins County hospitality industry and learn skills that they can use in their jobs. The two-day event is a certificate program and was made possible through collaboration with Tompkins Workforce New York, Tompkins County Tourism Program, Tompkins County Convention and Visitors Bureau, and TC3.biz.

Ms. Zook announced the summer guide will be out in the next day or two.

MINUTES

The minutes of April 10, 2012 were accepted as presented.

DEBRIEFING ON APRIL 20TH WIB/SUPERINTENDENTS/PRINCIPALS MEETING AT ITHACA COUNTRY CLUB

The group reviewed the table notes from the April 20th meeting of the WIB and school superintendents and principals. There seemed to be common themes among the tables that included:

- What is the definition of work ready and what are the definitions of the skill gaps
- How can we help parents understand and communicate with them about what skills are necessary and what employers are looking for.
- Internships were discussed at length and getting kids out into the world of work in a meaningful way.

Ms. Tabor announced that YES and Ithaca High School will be piloting a for-credit program (Career Exploration Internship Program) in the fall for nine freshman/sophomore students.

UPDATE ON SYEP RECRUITMENT FROM IYB AND THE OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

Recruitment is underway with both YES and OET. There has been some delay because the figures are not solid yet, but it is expected that everything will come together so a quality program can be offered this year.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:24 p.m. The next meeting will be held June 12, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. at the One-Stop Center.