

Minutes of the Maricopa County Workforce Development Board Youth Committee Meeting

Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.

REMOTE MEETING

WebEx: <https://mcwdb-1095-9b71.my.webex.com/meet/mcwdb>

Phone: 1-510-338-9438; Access Code/Meeting ID: 625 125 871

Members Present: Breanne Bushu (Ph.), Elizabeth E. Cole (Ph.), Felix Moran (Ph.), Pedro Huerta (Ph.), Shawn Hutchinson (Ph.), Sherie Steele (Ph.), Traci Ayre (Ph.)

Members Absent: Susan Morris

Call to Order

Youth Committee Chair, Elizabeth Cole, called the MCWDB Youth Committee meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

Roll Call and Welcome

Roll Call

WDB Liaison Nancy Avina took roll. Quorum was present.

Opening Comments

Chair Cole provided brief welcoming remarks, recognized public attendees and provided brief open meeting reminders.

Introduction of Interim Executive Director, Bill Wiley

Chair Cole asked Interim Executive Director, Bill Wiley to briefly introduce himself. Mr. Wiley introduced himself.

Consent Agenda

Chair Cole asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda. Shawn Hutchinson made a motion to approve. Pedro Huerta seconded the motion.

In favor: Breanne Bushu (Ph.), Elizabeth E. Cole (Ph.), Felix Moran (Ph.), Pedro Huerta (Ph.), Shawn Hutchinson (Ph.), Sherie Steele (Ph.), Traci Ayre (Ph.)

Opposed: None.

The motion carried.

Youth Committee Chair Report

Youth Committee Vision

Chair Cole informed on her vision of the youth committee and referenced several sections of the law pertaining to standing youth committees (20 CFR 681.100). She informed on her vision of serving as a strong convening entity.

Chair Cole further shared information on City of Phoenix RFP released for youth services.

Interim Executive Director Report

Update on the Status of MCWDB Compliance and Timeline

Interim Executive Director, Bill Wiley shared information on a colored coded compliance calendar with key dates related to re-certification and compliance. He shared information on the primary documents that need to be submitted to DES for compliance as well as details on the creation of the local plan and consultant Trevor Stokes. Final submittal date for all documents is November 1st.

Local Plan feedback and Timeline

Mr. Wiley shared information on the local plan public comment period starting Friday 10/16 and closing on 10/26 and informed everyone would get a link to the plan to be able to provide comment. Additional comments were added by Chair Cole on local plan comments.

Workforce Development Division Youth Services Presentation and Q/A

Youth Workforce Program Manager, Tina Luke provided a Workforce Development Division youth services update. Ms. Luke provided information on participants, enrollments, leads and outreach numbers, as well as on staff, challenges – including with COVID-19, successes and next steps.

Youth Committee members asked questions regarding virtual orientations for organizations as well as on the strategy on leads to engage. Ms. Luke provided information.

Year-Up Presentation and Q/A on Response to COVID-19

Recruitment Specialist, Pedro Huerta spoke to Year up program and services, success rates, student tracks, and how Year up has adapted to COVID. Mr. Huerta also reviewed eligibility requirements of the programs.

Comments were shared by Chair Cole on the Year up program. Brief discussion held. Enrollments are approximately at 240 students.

City of Peoria Presentation and Q/A on Response to COVID-19

Family and Youth Services Manager, Sherie Steele from the city of Peoria spoke on the youth initiatives and programs especially pertaining to COVID-19. A youth advisory report was shared. Ms. Steele shared on the mission and vision of the board, the youth master plan, goals and how to join the board. Additionally, Ms. Steele spoke to impacts due to COVID-19.

Chair Cole thanked presenters for their presentations and asked Mr. Shawn Hutchinson for interest in presenting on apprenticeships during the next meeting as well as Ms. Susan Morris, in cyber security. In addition, Ms. Cole expressed interest in having Title II present on a new pathway to HSE and would reach out to Sheryl Hart.

Call to the Public

Chair Cole called for public comment. Tom Colombo provided comment on WDD participant numbers. Meghan McGilvra encouraged the youth committee to help influence and engage employers. Kimberly Faust shared on a virtual job fair on Wednesday, 10/21.

Adjourn Meeting

Chair Cole adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

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