

# YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 14, 2008

## I. Call to Order

### Present:

Frank Blowers  
Peter Keating  
Paul Reiz  
Chuck Shields  
Debbie Bouts  
Kathy Sasinowski

### Absent:

Mike Kramer

### Others Present:

John Bierbusse  
Linda McLatcher

Mr. Keating called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

## II. Approval of April 16, 2008 Minutes

**DEBBIE BOUTS MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 16, 2008 AS PRESENTED; SUPPORT BY PAUL REIZ. MOTION CARRIED.**

## III. Recommendation to Release a Request for Proposal

To assist with long-term impact on the youth population, last year a Request for Proposal was released for a three-year period contingent upon revisiting each contract yearly for any revisions. However, with a significant increase in WIA youth funds for the 2008 program year, the committee was asked to address expansion of programming. There is approximately one million dollars more available this year, but members were cautioned that funding allocations are reformulated each year and these dollars could be decreased in the next program year due to the national economy. Therefore, it was advised that an RFP be released seeking services for a one-year period only. The emphasis will be placed on out-of-school youth. Staff has been in discussion with the local Department of Human Services to address the needs of the aging foster care youth population who are released at age 18. A model to service these young people will be developed. Other funds will be dedicated to in-school youth in their senior year. The division of program year 2008 funds will be divided between in-school youth in the amount of \$2,755,336 and \$1,347,920 dedicated to servicing out-of-school youth, making the total training budget available for 2008 at \$4,203,256.

After discussion, **FRANK BLOWERS MOVED TO APPROVE THE PY'08 WIA YOUTH PLAN AND TO RELEASE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED AND TO FORWARD TO THE BOARD FOR FINAL APPROVAL; SUPPORT BY CHUCK SHIELDS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## IV. JUDGING YOUTH ESSAY COMPETITION

### a. Review of Youth Essay Competition Requirements

Upon arrival and prior to calling the meeting to order, members reviewed submissions of essays from five in-school participants and two out-of-school participants. Evaluations were completed and compiled to determine winners. In-school youth winners were as follows: Aimee Ballor - first place; Jennifer McNew - second place; and tied for third were Anum Chaudhry and Iris Gonzales. Out-of-school recommended awards were to Terrell Kelly - first place; and Rayshane Anderson - second place. Top award winners will receive a certificate and \$150; second place \$100; and 3<sup>rd</sup> place \$50. Presentations will be made at the board's May 22<sup>nd</sup> general meeting.

**VI. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

**FRANK BLOWERS MOVED TO ADJOURN; SUPPORT BY CHUCK SHIELDS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.** The meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Carne  
Recording Secretary