

Youth Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday

February 21st,2023

12:00 PM-2:00pm

Meeting Facilitator: Melissa Bias, Executive Director of Region 2 Workforce Investment Board

Present: Chairman Charles Shaw, Yvette Barrett, Samantha Page, Chris Overstreet, Sally Nelson, Victoria Scaggs, Tanner Wooten, Tammy Stapleton, Crystal Butcher, Rachael White, Danial Gum, Tonya Wallace, John Brown, Jill Goheen, Tiah Gaydosz, Lena Burdette, Chad Porter, Clinton Arnold, Melissa Bias, Adam Warden, Heather Merritt, Jenifer Pritt, Robert Chaff, Joseph Nimley, DJ Myers, Jakki Jackson, Affiona Brown, Burcu Delph, Austin Fry, Haylie Workman, Lanae Oden, Jmeil Callens, and Cassandra White. Attending Virtually were Mason Williams and Hillary Muncy

Call to Order: Pastor Charles Shaw- Youth Chair

Welcome and Introductions:

- Introductions around to the room were conducted to tell who they were and what organization they represented.

Minutes:

- There were no Minutes since this is the first youth council meeting after being postponed due to COVID

Guest Speaker:

- Melissa Introduced Freddie Cornell from Big Time Wrestling. Freddie shared his story of how he got to where he is today and shared the struggles of his journey.

Youth Presentation:

- Melissa presented her youth career planners as they showcased the accomplishments of their youth and what the youth program has done to help youth enter different trainings and further their careers.

Open Floor Discussion:

- Youth in attendance shared their thought and experiences with the youth program and what barriers they have overcome.

Awards/ Recognition:

- Award presented to Med-Care Training Center for assisting our youth with Medical Training to advance their future careers.
- Award Presented to Good Will of Kanawha Valley/Good Will of Huntington for Providing our youth with the beginning steps of work experiences to grow their skills.
- Graduation Ceremony for Hayley Workman as she completed Penn Foster and earned her High School Diploma.

Discussion of Employment/ Career Fair:

- Discussed an Employment/ Career Fair in April at our Huntington One Stop. The focus will be for our youth but will be open to the general public and offer the first hour of the event to be for Veterans.

Adjourned at 1:28pm

Respectfully Submitted by Adam Warden