

Youth Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday

March 21st,2023

12:00 PM-2:00pm

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

Present: Crystal Butcher, Wesley Varney, Darius Booker, Chris Overstreet, Tonya Wallace, Tanner Wooten, Sally Nelson, Todd Marcum, John Brown, Chad Porter, Ashley Davis, Cassie White, Kayla Newman, John Mandt Jr. Region 2 Staff Melissa Bias, Adam Warden, Jenifer Pritt, Affiona Brown, Burcu Delph, Heather Merritt, Jakki Jackson, DJ Myers, Robert Choff, Preston Richardson.
Virtually Attending- Chanda Perry.

Call to Order: Melissa Bias - Executive Director of Region 2 Workforce Investment Board

Welcome and Introductions:

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

Minutes:

- There was a motion to approve the minutes for our last meeting on 02.21.23. Chad Porter motioned to approve the minutes and Tanner Wooten seconded the motion.

Guest Speaker:

- Melissa Introduced Cabell County Commissioner John Mandt Jr. John shared his story of how he got to where he is today with only a high school diploma and shared his journey of running his family business Stewarts Hotdogs.

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.

Awards/ Recognition:

- Graduation Ceremony for Cassandra White 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 1:42pm

Respectfully Submitted by Adam Warden