

Youth Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday

April 18st, 2023

12:00 PM-2:00pm

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

Present: Chairman Charles Shaw, Crystal Butcher, Wesley Varney, Chris Overstreet, Tonya Wallace, John Brown, Chad Porter, Ashley Davis, Rachael White, Samantha Page, Yvette Barnett, Jill Goheen, Brian Hankins, Joy Ferguson, April Wilson, Kaitlyn Blankenship, Mark Smith, Emma Ferguson, Lanae Odne, Anna Dishman, Haylie Workman, Kayla Newman, Jakob Quintero, Region 2 Staff Melissa Bias, Adam Warden, Affiona Brown, Burcu Delph, Heather Merritt, Jakki Jackson, Kelly Briers, Briley Hearnin, and Matthew Webb.

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 was a motion to approve the minutes for our last meeting on 03.21.23. John Brown motioned to approve the minutes and Brian Hawkins seconded the motion.

Guest Speaker:

- Charles introduced Crystal Butcher with Med-Care as she shared her story of how she got to where she is today and the barriers and obstacles that she had to overcome in her life.

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 Lanae Odne as she completed the HiSET and earned her GED.

Discussion of Employment/ Career Fair:

- Discussed an Employment/ Career Fair on April 25th 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 1:36pm

Respectfully Submitted by Raymond Adam Warden