

Minneapolis Youth Council Meeting
May 14, 2014, 8:30 a.m.
Minneapolis Public Housing
Heritage Park Senior Services Center
1015 N. 4th Avenue, Minneapolis, MN, 55411

Present: Ann DeGroot, Laura Beeth, Harvey Rucker, Cate Smith Edlund, Dorothy Heidelberger, Linda Tkaczik, Sowda Ahmed and Tyler Olson.

Guest Speakers

Blaine Turnbull, Juvenile Supervision Center (JSC)

Kate Tobin, The Link

The JSC is a 24/7 place in Minneapolis City Hall for youth who have been picked up by law enforcement in Hennepin County for low level offenses. Youth receive immediate intervention and comprehensive services. Any youth can drop-in at the Center after the school year ends to receive job seeking assistance. The drop-in times are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Approval of March Minutes

Personal and Business Best News

Updates and Headlines (METP Reports)

Teresa Harrold

Third Quarter Grades (see attachment)

WIA Incentive Policy: Tyler made a motion for a maximum incentive to be \$75. Cate seconded. WIA budget increased 24% this year.

Tammy Dickinson

- 1,100 youth completed work readiness training.
- 1,000 youth participated in mock interviews
- There are 630 jobs pledged for Discover
- There are 320 Explorer jobs
- There are 750 Achieve level jobs
- The target jobs number is 1,650
- Interns may opt for a pre-paid debit card instead checks for the first time this year.

Discussion on STEP-UP Funding Opportunities from Outreach and Advocacy Subcommittee

- Application fee for employers.
- Employers pay for training to learn how to effectively lead and manage STEP-UP interns.
- Sponsorship packages for bigger companies.
- Membership packages.

Discussion of Youth Council Half Day Retreat in July

- Work on a 5-10 year vision for youth programs.
- Create specific one year goals around priorities to achieve vision.
- Assign “Rocks” from now to next Youth Council meeting (what each person is going to do).
- Subcommittees provide input. Ex: Help Tammy with sponsorship packages.
- Create alignment with key partners who are doing similar work. Ann DeGroot wants to help.

Actions: To-Do List Review (New or revised items in red)

Who	What	Due Date	Yes	No
Tammy Dickinson	Build sponsorship sample packet	June 15		
Nisha Adamietz	Set up Youth Council retreat	June 1		
Cate Smith Edlund	Send Tammy Bush Foundation grant info	June 1		
Ann DeGroot	Send Tammy and Tyler info on how YCB is coordinating OST activities	June 1		
Pat Behrend	Send revised subcommittee document to YC members.	April 1	√	
Pat Behrend	Ask absent YC members to pick a subcommittee. Assign members to a committee if no preference. Ask for subcommittee leaders.	April 1	√	
Staff	Develop flowchart of annual events/tasks of youth program.	May 14 Revised date of June 2		√
Tammy Dickinson	Invite STEP-UP youth to September meeting to enable Council to ask questions about their experience to inform our work.	Sept. 23		
STEP-UP staff	Present results of cohort evaluation of STEP-UP dropouts from various stages of STEP-UP at September YC meeting.	Sept. 23		
Teresa Harrold	Ask Ann DeGroot if a YCB staff member could be on council	March 28	√	
Youth Council	Provide input on new Year Round WIA brand name to Teresa Harrold	May 14 Ongoing		
Tammy Dickinson and Laura Beeth	Interview Scrubs youth as to thoughts about their experience.	Aug. 31		
Subcommittees	Meet/talk/email each other before May 14 meeting	May 14	√	
Subcommittees	Present at May 14 Meeting	May 14	√	
Tyler Olson	Meet with Mayor Hodges, R.T. Rybak and Richard Davis	May 14 Revise: June		
Youth Council	Let Pat know of anyone who would be good on the Youth Council especially those with disability work background or parents and youth.	Ongoing		
Pat Behrend	Create bios for all Youth Council members	Ongoing		
Tyler Olson	Ask Youth Council members about their Council commitment	Ongoing		
Tyler Olson	Set up YC Dropbox/Drive to store minutes, bios, etc. Revised: Nisha Adamietz will set up meeting.	May 14		
Youth Council & Staff	Write down any issue pertaining to our work that we can Identify...Discuss...Solve and send to Pat.	Ongoing		

Issues List (Prioritize. Then Identify, Discuss, Solve) (New or revised items in red)

Who	Prioritize: Then Identify -- Discuss -- Solve	Priority	Yes	No
Youth Council and staff	Hard to serve youth: discussion at May meeting	1		√
Tammy Dickinson	Gather more youth input to inform our work. Invite STEP-UP and WIA youth to the September YC meeting.	2		
Tammy Dickinson	Report back results of STEP-UP drop-out survey after contacting youth who dropped out of program at various stages.	3		
Youth Council	Increase Youth Work Readiness Training Opportunities Tammy will email YC what actions will be taken from the discussion.			
Youth Council	What will we do to unify with organizations that are working on youth employment?			
Youth Council	Do PR campaign on the importance of youth employment with positive messaging about the good things to build on.			

Youth Council	How can we tap revenue sources to sustain the program?			
Youth Council	How can we address homeless youth?			
Youth Council	Hold future Youth Council meetings at sites where we can learn more about youth development efforts.			
Tyler Olson YC members & Staff	Can we develop a youth career pathways program like the proposed adult program outlined in "Minneapolis Career Pathways Design"?			

Feedback: Rate this Meeting (0 – 10)

Laura- 9	Tammy- 9
Teresa- 8.5	Harvey- 8
Tyler- 9	Ann-9
Cate-9	Dorothy-8
Sowda-9	Linda-?