

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD
Youth Council Meeting

Anne Arundel Workforce Development Corporation

June 13, 2003

Attendees:

Mahmoud Baptiste, Karl Behringer, Anne Biddle, Lisa DiGiacinto, Larry Johnson, Yvonne Kranitz, Megan Lynch, Clifton Martin, Grant Shmelzer, Lisa Stroman, Michael Yeakey

Other Attendees

Andy Moser, AAWDC

Cheryl Kinney, Junior League of Annapolis

Chair Michael Yeakey called the meeting to order at 11:47 a.m.

1. Welcome and Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the meeting of the last meeting were unanimously approved, following a motion by Mr. Yeakey and a second by Mr. Martin.

2. Additional Agenda Items

None.

3. Presentation on the Junior League of Annapolis

Cheryl Kinney gave a presentation on the Junior League of Annapolis. Ms. Kinney encouraged all members to attend Junior League events. She then distributed flyers and handouts on upcoming events.

4. FY04 Youth Funding Update

Mr. Moser gave a presentation on the Workforce Investment Act funding for FY04. Mr. Moser stated that \$273, 238 of youth funds are available for the upcoming year. Mr. Moser also indicated that contracts with the WAGES, YCC, and Summer Youth programs have obligated 100% of the funds.

5. Youth Program Update

Kathleen Toms from Brooklyn Park Middle School gave a report on the WAGES program. Ms. DiGiacinto requested more information on the follow-up component of the program. Ms. Toms stated that she would present this information at the next meeting.

Mr. Moser then presented the results of Youth Career Connections program. According to his report, the program has placed seven youth into jobs, but has not obtained any GEDs. The council expressed concern as to the poor performance of the program. Mr. Moser stated that he would give another update at the next meeting.

Mr. Moser and Mr. Yeakey gave an update on the Annapolis Youth Project. Mr. Yeakey gave a summary of the project to date. Mr. Moser indicated that he had given a contract to AACCC for the training portion of the program, but that both agencies were awaiting action from the City of Annapolis.

6. WIB Approval of Council Recommendations

Mr. Moser shared that the Workforce Investment Board approved the recommendations of the Youth Council's RFP workgroup.

7. Drop-out Recovery Initiative Update

Ms. Kovach gave an update on the referrals to date. She indicated that she had directed the referrals to the Youth Career Connections program as well as to other local programs.

8. Status of Youth Council chair and members

Mr. Moser indicated that the current members who requested to remain on the Council were all approved by the County Executive.

9. MD Business Roundtable for Education

Mr. Moser gave a presentation on the MD Business Roundtable for Education and encouraged all members to participate.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30pm.