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Youth Committee Meeting

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

12:00 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Agenda

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| I. Welcome and Introductions | Mr. Craig Kinley, Chair |
| II. Call to Order | Mr. Kinley |
| III. Quorum Validation (5 or more) | Mr. Kinley |
| IV. <i>Minutes Approval (August 22, 2023*)</i> | |
| V. Contractor Update | Eckerd Connects |
| VI. Other Business | |
| VII. Adjourn | |

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Youth Committee Meeting
Tuesday, August 22, 2023, 12:00 p.m.
Zoom Virtual Meeting**

MINUTES

Attendees: Zoraido Arroya, LaToya Dodson, Nita Donald, Craig Kinley (Chair), Crystal Noble, and Roddy Bradyn

Members Absent: Tiffany Foster, Johnell Gaines, and Frank Floyd

Staff Present: Eva Anagnostis

Guests: Teresa Smith (Eckerd Connects)

I. Welcome and Introductions: Ms. Anagnostis welcomed everyone to the meeting.

II. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m.

III. Quorum Validation: A quorum was validated.

IV. Minutes Approval* (May 23, 2023): Minutes were approved as submitted.

V. Director's Report (Ms. Eva Anagnostis, GCWDB Assistant Director)

- a. **U.S. Department of Labor Visit:** Ms. Anagnostis informed the committee that a few staff for USDOL came to the Greenville Local Workforce Development Area during their monitoring of South Carolina. They met with staff, toured the SC Works Center, and interviewed some participants from each of our programs. They had very complimentary things to say about Greenville.
- b. **PY22 Local Area Monitoring Report:** We received our most recent monitoring report from the state last week, and we had no findings or recommendations. We are appreciative to all the staff for making sure everything is documented properly and policies are followed.
- c. **Contracts for Training RFQ:** Ms. Anagnostis gave a quick review of the Eligible Training Provider List and the challenges training providers are facing with the reporting requirements. She reviewed the process they have taken to create a contracts for training list. The Request for Qualifications is currently live on the Greenville County Procurement Department's OpenGov site. We discussed some of the data requirements that are difficult for training providers to meet, as well as how the data requirements are different for non-ETPL programs.
- d. **State Instruction 19-05, Change 1:** Ms. Anagnostis shared changes that have recently been made to the state instruction notice that guides our Youth Program activities. Some of those changes include: using assessments older than six months, allowing more self-attestation for eligibility, decreasing the Out-of-School Youth expenditure requirement for PY22 and PY23,

guidance for virtual work experience, and changes to supportive services and other expenditures.

- e. **PY23 Funding Update:** Ms. Anagnostis shared funding allocations for PY22 and PY23 for both the state as a whole and Greenville County LWDA. Greenville County took some big funding cuts to all program fund streams, including our Youth funds. We are looking for ways to replace some of those funds, including other grant opportunities. Ms. Anagnostis also described a few things that are taken into consideration when determining funding allotments for the local areas.
- f. **Youth Connections Newsletter:** Ms. Anagnostis shared the Youth Connections Youth Resource Newsletter, and invited the committee members to sign up to receive it if they are interested in seeing news updates on Youth workforce topics.

VI. Contractor Update (Ms. Teresa Smith, Eckerd Connects Program Manager)

Ms. Smith shared an update on the Youth Program so far in PY23. They have seen traffic picking up recently. They have been working hard to continue establishing Work Experience (WEX) activities. There are currently six participants enrolled in the virtual WEX, which teaches them soft skills, time management, financial literacy, etc. They are also working to find additional training program options for participants, now that Greenville Tech is no longer on the ETPL. Ms. Smith is excited for this program year. Ms. Donald asked how they recruit their participants, and Ms. Smith shared a few ways. Many students come through referrals from places like Greenville Literacy Association and Lifelong Learning. Others come through work sites that like the idea of WEX or On-the-Job Training (OJT). They also attend resource fairs to share about their organization.

VII. Roundtable

- a. LaToya Dodson (Upstate AHEC) shared about their open enrollment for high school students interested in going into the healthcare field. They have both virtual and in-person sessions.
- b. Crystal Noble asked Ms. Smith to connect with her and present about the WIOA Youth program to DJJ staff.

VIII. Other Business: None

IX. Adjourn: Being there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:56 p.m.

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