

**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD OF TRUMBULL COUNTY  
YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING**

**MINUTES**

TMHA

4076 Youngstown Rd., SE

Warren, Ohio 44484

Tuesday, October 11, 2022 @ 9:00 am

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Thomas Conley  
Donald Emerson, Jr  
Herbert Caldwell

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Robert Rowland  
Arthur Daly  
Laura Carey

**GUESTS:**  
William Turner, WDB Executive Director  
Dimitri Liogas, WDB Executive Assistant  
Kim Barrell, OMJ Administrator  
Danette Wasko- WIOA Supervisor  
Mike McKinney- JOGs  
Marie Lishick- Youthbuild  
Teri Lacy- ASPIRE

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. with quorum in attendance, by Mr. Conley.

Mr. Conley requested the motion to approve the minutes of July 12, 2022 as written and submitted.

**Motion- By Mr. Emerson to approve the minutes dated July 12, 2022 as written and submitted.**

**Motion 2nd- Mr. Caldwell**

**Discussion- None**

**Vote- Unanimous**

**Motion- Carried**

Mr. Conley introduced, guest, Teri Lacy who represents ASPIRE through TCTC. Mr. Conley moved on to the agenda items.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Youth Recruitment-** Mrs. Barrell reports that efforts continue to recruit youth. OMJ is making every effort to increase youth enrollment. OMJ management met with Gerrie Cotter, from the State, to obtain some best practices from other counties to incorporate in Trumbull. OMJ will be holding a managerial strategy session to update strategic outreach efforts. Also, OMJ is looking into purchasing new VR equipment to help entice youth.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**CCMEP Update-** Mrs. Barrell updated the committee on the CCMEP program. Mrs. Barrell reports that OMJ CCMEP Unit lost a staff member to resignation. Mrs. Barrell stated the previous program year performance metrics were very good.

**WIOA Update-** Mrs. Barrell stated that OMJ is continuing to try to increase enrollment numbers. Mr. Turner mentioned that despite the barriers OMJ has faced in the previous program year, the performance results were very good, meeting expectations.

**Ohio To Work-** Mrs. Barrell provided an update on the Ohio To Work initiative. Mrs. Barrell stated that the initiative will end 12/31/2022. The entities looked into sustaining the program after the grant ends, and Mrs. Barrell mentioned that they will likely continue with the working group but not under the OWT umbrella.

**Summer Program-** Mr. McKinney, coordinator of the summer program through JOG, provided some updates from the summer program. The summer program was extended into August and September. There were 14 kids in the extended program in August and 8 kids in September. JOG and OMJ are looking at the possibility to transition 5 kids from summer employment to CCMEP / Youth WEP.

**ARIES update-** Ms. Wasco announced that the ARIES case management system continues to have issues with the system and they are working with the state to resolve. All OMJ staff is registered to attend continued ARIES training in the very near future. Mrs. Barrell also mentioned that there are some accuracy issues with ARIES reporting mechanism.

**CCMEP Technical Assistance Visit-** Mrs. Barrell stated that WDB, OMJ management and fiscal representative met with Gerrie Cotter, State Rep., to discuss OMJ Trumbull's CCMEP expenditures and provided some ideas and practices other Counties are using and provided clarity on issues like, ARIES, incentives, expenditures.

### **YOUTH PROJECT REPORTS:**

**Youthbuild-** Marie Lishick provided an update to Youthbuild program activities:

2021-2022

Six Follow Up Students presently

9 completed OSHA Training

5 completed Lead Abatement Training

5 have completed their GED Certifications

9 have completed NCCER (corrected from last month) certifications.

One student working at Walmart, \$13.00 (Started follow up July)

One student working at BRT Extrusions \$16.00 (started follow up July). She previously worked at Rally's making \$10 per hour.

One student moved to Tennessee. He indicated he will be working as a correction officer making \$20.00 per hour.

One student working at Marcos, \$13.50

2022-2023

22 applications received thus far, YB has rejected seven of the 22 (various reasons such as they have an active warrant, did not attend any days of mental toughness, no return calls/texts.

8 information calls

Mental Toughness is in the second week. We have presently 12 applicants. We will continue recruiting til the end of November.

Community outreach and recruitment continues.

Vacant Case Manager and Construction Manager Positions.

New worksite location of 2287 Milton Street, Warren Ohio  
Previous worksite obtained Certificate of Occupancy

RRP-Lead Abatement Certification is scheduled for the program students on November 30th.

Community outreach continues

**Jobs for Ohio Graduates (JOG)-** Mr. McKinney gave an update on the activities of JOG.

JOG WIOA as of 10/11/22:

- Total WIOA - 19
- Active WIOA – 12 ( Will drop to 10; 1 transfer to Mahoning 1 exited due to employment)
- Follow up WIOA – 13
  - 7 just finished Q2 in September
  - 6 just finished Q4 in September
  - 77% remained employed
- 1 enrollment in process
- 1 youth passed her HSE, 1 youth received Esthetician credential from Raphael's
- In the process of setting up 3 work experiences. This will be 3 new WIOA youth
  - Liberty High School – Secretary
  - Tod's Crossing – Office Assistant
  - Eagles Christian Daycare - Childcare

Summer Work Extension:

- Pay 5: 14 youth total pay \$9,643.50
- Pay 6: 9 youth total pay \$5,888.50
- Pay 7: 10 youth total pay \$5,646.00
- Pay 8: 8 youth total pay \$ 4,653.00

Total spent out during extension: \$25,831.00

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

**OMJ Center status update-** Mrs. Barrell reports that the OMJ Center is open to the public. COVID restrictions are still in place. Mrs. Barrell states the OMJ in- person traffic is slowly improving. ASPIRE continues to hold classes at OMJ.

With no other business, Mr. Conley stated that our next WDB meeting is November 17, 2022 then adjourned the meeting.

**NEXT MEETING DATES:**

2022 Meeting Schedule: ~~January 11, 2022, April 12, 2022, July 12, 2022,~~ October 11, 2022

Location: TMHA

Respectfully submitted by: Dimitri Liogas, Executive Assistant, Workforce Development Board