

**Region 4 Workforce Board-Youth Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
July 17, 2018**

|                           | PY 18   |         |         |        |         |        |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|--------|
|                           | 7/17/18 | 9/11/18 | 11/6/18 | 1/8/19 | 3/12/19 | 5/7/19 |
| Randy Vernon, Chair       | X       |         |         |        |         |        |
| Kevin Summers, Vice Chair |         |         |         |        |         |        |
| Deb Waymire, Secretary    | X       |         |         |        |         |        |
| Terri Simons              | X       |         |         |        |         |        |
| Chris Cohee               | X       |         |         |        |         |        |
| Steve Snyder              | X       |         |         |        |         |        |
| Miranda Hutcheson         | X       |         |         |        |         |        |
| Kara Webb                 | X       |         |         |        |         |        |

Also in attendance: WDB Staff - Mellisa Leaming, Director of Operations and Tina Overley-Hilt, Executive Assistant.

**Call to Order:**

Attendees were welcomed and the meeting called to order by Chair, Randy Vernon at **9:00 AM** at Matchbox Co-Working Studio; Lafayette, IN. A quorum of the membership was present to conduct business of the committee.

**Approval of Minutes from March 14, 2018**

Meeting minutes from May 22, 2018 were approved as presented.

Motion to approve: Steve Snyder

Second: Terri Simons

Approved: unanimously

**New Business:**

***Work Ethic Program***

Mellisa Leaming and Miranda Hutcheson provided an update on the Skill UP3 Work Ethic initiative. All schools in Region 4 have been contacted about participation in the Work Ethic program. Mellisa will attend Engage Clinton County, a Work Ethic kickoff luncheon for the 4 Clinton county high schools-Clinton Prairie, Clinton Central, Frankfort and Rossville. On July 27, 2018, Region 4 in conjunction with Lafayette School Corporation will host the event; Creating a Work Ethic Program with Dr. Andrew Melin, Superintendent of Greater Clark Schools as the guest speaker. Dr. Melin will share information on implementation, outcome data, school culture impact and industry impact of the Work Ethic program. Grant funds are covering the cost for 2 attendees per school/organization to attend. Employers, elected officials and economic leaders may also attend. Current low response may be due to school administration vacations and schools may have a plan in place already. Mellisa will send out the list of schools that have been contacted regarding the work ethic seminar. The committee discussed how to reach others who may be interested in the event. Seven schools in our 12 county region have signed an agreement to move forward with Work Ethic certification for 2018-2019 school year. There will be a required curriculum of employability skills.

***Coder DoJo Programs***

Coder DoJo program is also funded under the Skill UP 3 grant. Coder DoJo clubs target K-5<sup>th</sup> grade and meet once a month at Matchbox Co-working Studio. The committee had the opportunity to experience the activities students participate in during the sessions. Kara Webb provided an update from the Robotics in Manufacturing camp held in June. The goal of the camp was to develop an understanding supply chain, logistics, and education work together to help a community thrive. 70 students attended 3 sessions during the camp day including Dobot/Little Bit, Scratch, and Lego League. Programs are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday at matchbox and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday at Imagination Station. The partnership with the YMCA will continue utilizing the afterschool program, Boys & Girls Clubs and schools.

**Old Business**

None

Deb Waymire and Tina Overley-Hilt will reach out to Kevin Summers to find out if he is interested in continuing to serve on the Youth Committee or can make a recommendation.

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn: Kara Webb

Second: Deb Waymire

Approved: unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 10:30am

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Overley-Hilt

**Next Meeting:**

Tuesday, September 11, 2018

Location – TBD