

**Region 4 Workforce Board-Youth Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 8, 2019**

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	7/9/19	10/8/19	11/12/19	1/14/20	3/10/20	5/12/20
Randy Vernon, Chair	X	X				
Terri Simons	X	X				
Chris Cohee	X	X				
Steve Snyder	X	X				
Miranda Hutcheson						
Kara Webb	X	X				
Amanda Galloway		X				
Lisa Minier		X				

Also in attendance: 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 **8:55 AM** at Region 4 Workforce Board office, 976 Mezzanine Drive, Lafayette Indiana. A quorum of the membership was present to conduct business of the committee.

Approval of Minutes from July 9, 2019

Meeting minutes from July 9, 2019 were approved as presented.

Motion to approve: Steve Snyder

Second: Lisa Minier

Approved: unanimously

New Business:

WIOA Performance Grant

Region 4 received a WIOA Performance grant. The grant will assist Conexus, Vincennes University and the Lafayette Career Academy in purchasing manufacturing simulation equipment to train high school seniors and adults to earn manufacturing certifications and secure positions in manufacturing.

Manufacturing Week

Manufacturing Week was September 30-October 4, 2019. It is the opportunity to expose students to manufacturing and careers awareness. 3342 students in K-12 were registered to attend the event. Students K-5th grade participated in hands-on manufacturing related activities. Middle school students gathered at River City Community Center and moved through four manufacturing job categories; Design It, Produce It, Support It and Move It. High school students toured manufacturing facilities. 300 students participated in Monticello. The goal is to launch the program in Montgomery County next year. Overall, the event was successful.

JAG Update

The search continues for a JAG Manager for Region 4. Terri Simons, Chris Cohee and JAG staff are picking up additional responsibilities during the search. We are also looking to fill a JAG Coordinator position. Not all enrollment requirements have been met yet but we are still adding students. It was announced to Oakland High School staff that the school may be closing in a few years so we may need to think about looking for an additional site.

WHIN Progress

Kara Webb shared the progress of the WHIN Initiative.

- Two Design Studios have been set up; one in the Dayton schools and another at Prairie Crossing in Benton County.
- White County was added for Manufacturing Week. 300 student participated.

- A new Coder DoJo launched at River City Community Center as an afterschool program for middle school students. Another Coder DoJo is scheduled to launch at Boys & Girls Club at Lyn Treece and on Beck Lane in Lafayette and in White County in January.
- Robotic and Manufacturing Camps are scheduled for a week next summer at Boys & Girls Club in Monticello; two-three camps will be held in Tippecanoe County; one in Frankfort at the YMCA; and one at Montgomery County Boys & Girls Club. There will be six-weeks of Coder DoJo camps throughout the WHIN grant footprint.
- Survey results should be available for the November 2030 Council.

November 2019 Meeting

The Committee discussed the need for the regular scheduled November meeting. The Committee agreed to cancel the November meeting. The next Youth Committee meeting will be Tuesday, January 14, 2020.

Conflict of Interest Statement

Conflict of Interest statements were provided to Committee members in attendance to fill out, sign and return to Tina Overley-Hilt. Conflict of Interest statements will be emailed to those not in attendance.

Old Business

None

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Kara Webb

Second: Steve Snyder

Approved: unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 AM

Respectfully submitted,
Tina Overley-Hilt

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

Location – Lafayette – Region 4 Workforce Board office, 976 Mezzanine Drive, Lafayette Indiana