

Santee-Lynches Workforce Investment Board
Web-based Youth Council Meeting
Friday, April 15, 2011 – 1:30 PM
Santee-Lynches Regional Council of Governments
36 West Liberty Street, Sumter, SC 29150

Youth Council Members Present:

Beverly Moberg, Chair, Barbara Brown, Troy Santoscoy, Sharon Teigue, Ed Garrison

Staff Present:

Brenda Golden, Workforce Development Youth Director

Guests Present:

None

I. Welcome:

Chairman Beverly Moberg called the Santee-Lynches Workforce Investment Board's Youth Council meeting to order at 1:35 PM.

II. Approval of Minutes:

There was not a quorum so Chairman Moberg did not request a Motion to approve the Youth Council Meeting minutes of February 1 and March 15, 2011. Members expressed that they liked the idea of Web based meetings in lieu of some in person meetings in Sumter.

III. 90-day evaluation of Youth Service

Brenda Golden presented information from a 90-day progress report on the youth service providers, Palmetto Youth Connections. There was discussion about the positive aspects of the PYC program, including their achievements despite a difficult timeframe. Ms. Golden shared that to date, PYC has enrolled 19 participants, which is less than the Scope of Work calls for between the span of February to May, 2011 at 16 per month, but that enrollments did not really begin until March given the huge transition. Sharon Teigue indicated that her experience with the provider had been very positive. There was no quorum so no decision was made with regard to extension of their contract for PY 11, but the group consensus was they were pleased with PYC's progress and provision of information.

IV. RFP for Transportation Services

Brenda Golden, Youth Director, explained that the WIB had requested grant funding for transportation costs from the Department of Transportation, under the assumption that it would

extend the funds available for these costs since the DOT grant would pay half the cost. When the grant was sought, our understanding was that we could use the current transportation provide, RTA, but that turned out not to be the case. An RFP must be sought for PY 11 if grant funding is used. There are other concerns to be addressed by the Youth Council, but they will be addressed by Gwen Davis when the Youth Council reconvenes with a quorum.

V. MOA approval between SLRCOG and WIB for Youth Services

Brenda Golden addressed the issue of the proposed Memorandum of Agreement between the COG and the WIB that was previously distributed to the Youth Council. Mr. Jim Darby has requested this MOA to accompany the agreement the WIB entered into with the Regional Education Center advisory board. Ms. Golden showed the Youth Council members an organizational chart showing the relationship between the Youth Director and the COG and the WIB, with the REC not being depicted on the chart. There was discussion among members about why such an agreement is needed, and Beverly Moberg commented that the document seemed a duplication since there is already a document between the WIB and the REC for youth services, as well as an existing agreement between the COG and the WIB outlining their relationship. Ed Garrison agreed, and Sharon Teigue indicated that she is not necessary against the document, she just doesn't understand it. Ms. Moberg agreed that the language was confusing and took issue with the word "merger" in the document. She indicated that she thought that the original arrangement was to coordinate youth services but didn't necessarily think it was a "merger." Ms. Golden agreed to seek additional information from COG Director Jim Darby prior to the next scheduled meeting.

VI. Adjournment

The group agreed to meet again on Wednesday, April 20, 2011, in an effort to have a quorum prior to the Executive Committee meeting scheduled for 7:30 am on April 21, 2011. The meeting was then adjourned.

There being no further business, the Santee-Lynches Workforce Investment Youth Council Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 PM.