



# Spokane Area WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

## YOUTH COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

OCTOBER 5, 2010

NEXT GENERATION ZONE

901 EAST SECOND, SUITE 100

Estimated Time	Tab		
8:30 a.m.		Call to Order and Introductions	<i>Nancy Nelson</i>
8:35 a.m.	1	<i>Vote on June 1, 2010 Minutes (Action Item)</i>	<i>Nancy Nelson</i>
8:40 a.m.		Youth Council Membership Vote <i>(Action Item)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Kevin Quinn</li></ul>	<i>Nancy Nelson</i>
8:45 a.m.		Next Generation Zone 5-Year Vision	<i>Nancy Nelson</i>
9:25 a.m.		Creating a Volunteer Experience Program	<i>Nancy Nelson/ Trina Miller</i>
9:35 a.m.		Next Generation Zone Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Youth Council Oversight Committee Update</li><li>▪ Workforce Investment Act Program</li><li>▪ Partnership Update</li><li>▪ Microsoft Grant Application</li></ul>	<i>John Serben Heidi Peterson Dawn Karber Dawn Karber</i>
9:50 a.m.		Other Questions/Discussion	<i>Nancy Nelson</i>
10:00 a.m.		Adjourn	<i>Nancy Nelson</i>

The Next Generation Zone relocated to a new facility and had a Grand Opening. It was a fantastic event. Senator Murray's Staff Director, Scott Cheney, attended, and was excited about the direction the Next Generation Zone was heading.

Guest speakers included:

- Mayor Mary Verner, City of Spokane
- Commissioner Mark Richard, Board of Spokane County Commissioners
- Representative Timm Ormsby, Washington State Representative, 3rd District.

Activities included:

- Ribbon cutting
- Youth talent show
- Résumé' contest
- Mentor and mentee program sign up
- Summer Youth Employment Program video
- Washington Business Week video.

Thank you to Sterling Savings and the Inland Northwest Society for Human Resource Management (INSHRM) for supporting of this event.

#### **YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP:**

Currently, the Youth Council has four required WDC members. This will change at the end of program year, as Jeff Benesch has decided not to renew his term. John Serben will continue on the Youth Council for one more year.

Lynn Jonckers, Kitara McClure and Martin Kolodrub's applications are included in the June 1, 2010 packet. Look over the applications and an electronic vote to accept them as Youth Council Members, will take place later.

Bonnie Wagner and Scott Oakshott's terms are expiring. Scott has turned in his application already and will be part of the electronic vote.

#### **DECREASED FUNDING ALLOCATION FOR WIA YOUTH PROGRAMMING IN SPOKANE:**

The original idea for PY10 youth funding was it would be equal to last year's funding of \$1 million, but this year the allocation is \$948,000. The Youth Council will need to be more strategic and creative with PY10's funding.

#### **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL:**

The Spokane Area Workforce Development Council released the Operators' Consortium Request for Proposals (RFP) on March 16, 2010. All responses were due on Tuesday, April 27, 2010.

#### **YOUTH COUNCIL PROPOSAL REVIEW:**

The Youth Council reviewed the youth-related portion of the RFP response and made funding recommendations to the SAWDC.

There is an effort happening to get the Children's Investment Fund on the ballot. This would raise five million a year for programs that would support kids and families, i.e. early learning, child abuse, etc. The funding would go through the City of Spokane. An advisory board would make the funding decisions. Funding would be in three-year increments and partnership with school districts to measure attendance, grades, and behavior. Five percent of the five million would go towards administrative costs.

**OTHER QUESTIONS/DISCUSSION:**

- The Next Generation Zone has a Youth Advisory Council that helps the Next Generation Zone to keep their ideas youthful and provide the Next Generation Zone with feedback. Heidi Peterson will ask youth from the Youth Advisory Council to attend the SAWDC Youth Council. If some of the youth on the Youth Advisory Council do not want to attend the SAWDC Youth Council, they might want to be a sounding board on youth issues.
- There is a YES Network meeting on June 9, 2010 at 1:00 pm, located at United Way. A Youth Council Member who attended the YES Network Meeting could report to the SAWDC Youth Council at the August meeting.