

MEETING AGENDA

WDC Youth & Young Adult Services Committee
 January 23, 2018 10:30 am – 11:30 am

Tim Owens, Chair
 April Gibson, 1st Vice-chair
 TBD, 2nd Vice-chair
 Steve Gear
 Darci Gibson
 Mike Johnson
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 Dale King
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 John Roach
 Christina Roberts
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 David Shaw
 Dereck Spivey
 Ron Thalheimer
 Blaine Wolfe

Committee Focus:

- System of navigation and advising (including navigators and advisors)
- Career interest, pursuit – video format and use of technology
 - Motivate and show realistic progression and what it takes to succeed
 - Navigate family – not just students
- Engage family along with young adults
- Help us help parents message the importance of post-secondary training and other options
 - Use family centered multi-generational service delivery model (Kellogg studies)

Topic	Leader	Inform/ Discuss/ Act	Time
Welcome	Dale King		5 min
Review Prior Meeting Notes/ Meetings Recurrence – Every other month	Dale King	Inform	5 min
Career Day video, WorkForce Central’s new career path information, etc.	Christian Caple, Communications Director, WorkForce Central	Inform	20 min
Update on Upskill/Backfill and Career Connect Washington grants	MaryEllen Laird	Inform	10 min
Review documents to prepare for committee focus discussion at next meeting	Dale King	Review/ Clarify	15 min
Build next meeting’s agenda	Dale King	Discuss	5 min

Further Discussion / Next Steps

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Next Meeting Dates

March 27, 2018	10:30 – 11:30 am
May 22, 2018	10:30 – 11:30 am
July 24, 2018	10:30 – 11:30 am
September 25, 2018	10:30 – 11:30 am
November 27, 2018	10:30 – 11:30 am

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WDC Youth and Young Adult Services Committee

- Committee Chair is member of WDC and must be willing to also serve on Coordinating Committee
- Vice Chair selected by Committee
- ✓ WDC members are required to serve on a WDC Committee

Representation	Name, Title, Employer, Email, Phone(s)	WDC Member
<i>Chair of Committee</i>	<i>Dale King Superintendent/COO Tacoma Rail dale.king@cityoftacoma.org</i>	✓
<i>Vice Chair of Committee</i>	<i>April Gibson, Administrator Puget Sound Orthopedics a.gibson@proliancesurgeons.com</i>	✓
1. K-12 Representative	Brandon Ervin, Program Specialist Tacoma Public Schools bervin@tacoma.k12.wa.us	
2. WA State Department of Social and Health Services	Kari Haugen, Transition Consultant, VR Counselor Department of Vocational Rehabilitation haugkek@dshs.wa.gov	
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10. Labor or Apprenticeship JATC Representative	Mark Martinez, Executive Secretary Pierce County Bldg & Construction Trades Council piercebctc@earthlink.net	✓
11. Education	Lillian Hunter, Director of Alternative Learning Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction lillianhunter@comcast.net	
12. Education	Michelle Ledbetter, Director Pierce County Skills Center mledbetter@bethelsd.org	
13. Education	Amy Miller, Director White River School District amiller@whiteriver.wednet.edu	
14. Education	Heather Weeks, District Career Specialist Sumner School District heather_weeks@sumnersd.org	
15. Education	Kyla Lackie, Director of Postsecondary Readiness Puget Sound Educational Service District klackie@psesd.org	
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Meeting Notes
November 28, 2017
10:30 am – 11:30 am

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Members Present: Dale King, Lillian Hunter, Amy Miller, Michelle Ledbetter, Laura Ozios-Townsend, LaKesha Egardo-Jones, Kari Haugen, Audra Laymon, Nick Bayard, Kyla Lackie

WorkForce Central Staff: Debbie Lean

Welcome and Introductions

Dale King called the meeting to order and roundtable introductions were made.

Approval of Prior Meeting Notes

- Meeting notes accepted as prepared.
- Audra asked that the entire committee be looped in on any subsequent conversations for those unable to attend previous meetings.

Summer Jobs 253

Nick Bayard provided an update:

- Summer Jobs 253 is now a 5-year old program primarily targeted to serve students of color, low-income students and those who are not on track to graduate as a way to help them get back on track.
- Admitted 284 students into the program - Recruited 75 employers to participate.
- We are going to reduce the target number to 150 and are talking about a partnership with The Next Move Internship Program.
- Students work 96 hours at minimum wage and they can work as early as beginning of July through the end of August.
- School District staff in the Career Tech Dept and the counselors are in charge of the recruiting of students with disabilities.
- Program is primarily for Tacoma School District. The one exception is through the DVR funding provided by WFC. *LaKesha shared that there has been consistent conversation about extending into Pierce County.*

Overview of DVR Services Provided to ISY/OSY in Pierce County

Kari gave the following overview of DVR Services:

- DVR Transition Consultant (her role) – does not carry case load:
 - Outreach to School Districts and networks with business community
 - Provides Pre-employment transition consultation to DVR Counselors
 - Builds relationships with schools
 - Assists School Districts to identify 5-focus areas: Job exploration, workplace readiness training, work based learning, counseling on postsecondary opportunities and self-advocacy
 - Initiates and monitors contracts with postsecondary schools
- DVR Counselor - carries case load of all ages:
 - Serves as a direct liaison to schools, students and guardians
 - Attends resource fairs
 - Has presence at schools
 - Community education and awareness
 - Shares success and best practices

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- Due to funding issues, DVR is in a federally mandated 'order of selection'. Currently serving the most significantly disabled first.
- When someone applies for services and go through eligibility, they may be found 'most' significantly disabled; significantly disabled or non significantly disabled. What category an individual falls in is not necessarily what the disability is but how the disability affects daily living.
- Open to outreach ideas or feedback on how to better engage schools. *Dale suggested a one-page summary of programs and on the back put eligibility requirements so we have an idea of how people can get into the program.*

Activities to Increase FAFSA application rate in Pierce County

Kyla Lackie gave a brief update on the work that PSESD has been doing to support financial aid completion in Pierce County:

- With the support of the WorkForce Central and the committee, PSESD has been running a financial aid leadership cohort for the last several months. With this cohort over 50 educators and staff from 21 schools and community, based organizations are coming together.
- Resource that we have shared through the cohort is College Knowledge. College Knowledge booklets were printed for those participating in a cohort and can be downloaded from PSESD website.
- Have mini grants distributed to participants in the cohort to fund new strategies.

Pierce County Career Day

LaKesha shared

- Construction Career Day 2017 was the 10th annual year and was very exciting.
- 2349 from high schools throughout Pierce County and neighboring county pre-registered – 2152 students actually attended.
- Every vender and exhibitor that registers for Construction Career Day has to have a **hands on** demonstration.
- The goal of Construction Career Day is to connect high school students to the trades industry. Want to make sure we have viable pipeline of a labor force that can be accessed by our trades' employers from that sector.
- Proposing to create a job fair for seniors who attended Construction Career Day to connect with the same employers that attended as exhibitors – perhaps start having the dialogue of connecting the two for actual job opportunities. Looking at May 2018 for this event.
- Feedback has been very positive.

Build next meeting agenda

- No burning items requested for next agenda.
- Debbie will add Member Roundtable to future agendas

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:34 a.m.