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YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING

November 2, 2015

4:00-5:00pm

41 Lewis Street, Conference Room B
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AGENDA

- I. Call to Order, Introductions
- II. Guest Speakers: Chris Smart, Cornell Professor, School of Plant Science, Gina Lee, Technical Specialist, FLCC Viticulture and Wine Technology (unconfirmed)

Trend Alert: As the world's farmers age, new blood is needed. With an aging population of farmers, it's clear that agriculture needs to attract more young people. This is a global challenge: half of the farmers in the United States are 55 years or older. Agriculture has an image problem. For the majority of the world's youth, agriculture isn't an attractive avenue of employment. Most youth think of it as back-breaking labor without an economic pay-off and little room for career advancement.

- III. Recommendations for Youth Committee Chairperson
- IV. Youth Programs Update
 - WIA to WIOA transition review
 - FLWIB youth and adult events update
- V. Members' Roundtable
- VI. Adjournment and next meeting scheduled January 4, 2016 Youth Committee Meeting

The mission of the Finger Lakes Workforce Investment Board (FL WIB) is to improve the economic well being of job seekers and employers in the region by aligning human potential with opportunities in the workplace

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