

Finger Lakes Youth Counselor's Minutes 3/12/18

In Attendance: Wendy Cartwright, Deb McGrimley, Ryan DeVay, Candice Bukovinsky-Calkins, Chris Yonge. Guest: Ron (Yates Co. Intern)

Non-Agenda Items: Handed out updated Flow Chart and draft of Objective Assessment Policy. Discussed properly documenting time spent on WE, Chris reminded everyone the definition of what counts is listed in the TEG. Amanda would like all regional schools to receive copies of the WIOA youth application, Amanda will update front page so they can be sent out by mid-May. Suggested updating the current flyers used to attract youth to the program to advertise to parents. Chris suggested Ron could work on this project.

OSOS Updates – Handed out copies and went through PowerPoint done at NYATEP workshop. OSOS was not working at the time, so could not walk through steps online/on projector. Went through updates in Employment Outcomes and Training Outcomes tabs. Explained current Outcomes tab is going to be phased out, but continuing using it AND Employment & Training Outcomes tabs. New “Non-Service Event” in Programs tab (under customer detail) is replacing the Enrollment tab where the “hard exit” reasons are recorded.

Around the Room/Youth Academy – Chris shared an assessment that another agency uses that could be used as our ISS. Ron agreed to update to match our program requirements.

Guest Service Gold Update – Amanda spoke with Melissa Stuart who agreed counties do NOT need to have a minimum amount of youth to hold a session now that BOCES charges a \$200 teacher fee. The class will cost the \$200 fee plus \$45 per youth. The Counselor's agreed this was still a doable price with current funding available.

Youth Comm/Healthcare/Ag Day Updates – Youth Comm. Meeting this Wed, main topic will be preparing for Generation Z based on a workshop attended at NYATEP. Healthcare, Amanda and Ryan are volunteering. Ag Day, all Counselors are volunteering.

Local Updates –

Yates Update: One potential enrollee at this time. Six participants assigned to Guest Service Gold training this week.

Ontario Update: staffing changes at Ontario County and it is yet to be decided how this may affect my position as a Youth Counselor. For example, traditionally the Senior Counselor was temporarily assigned Wendy's DSS caseload during SYEP (May-September). Collaboration between Wendy and a Probation Officer regarding a WIOA youth. The Youth was placed in a WE today and because of this, his probation violation will be extended for 2 weeks to see where the youth is at. Wendy has done intakes recently (3) where the youth and their family members are in attendance. The intake is a longer process however the youth feel supported by their families. Everyone has a better understanding of the WIOA program expectations as well as the incentives.

Next Meeting – Wed April 11, 2018 2-4:00pm