

# YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Via Zoom

Thursday, November 12, 2020

**ATTENDANCE:** **Members:** Andrea Badger, Kathy Baker, Jennie Erdle, Marsha Foote, Leah Hamilton, Jeremy Hughes, Lori Parish, Petrea Rea, Megan Slater  
**Guests:** Jay Roscup, Joe Davis, Annie Mahoney, Chris Yonge  
**Staff:** Amanda Lesterhuis, Jennifer May

## **Introductions/Approve Minutes from May 15, 2020**

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Ms. Badger, seconded by Mr. Hughes. All in favor, motion carried.

## **WIOA Youth Program Updates**

Mr. Roscup, of the Wayne County Consortium of Schools/Sodus School District was welcomed by the committee and gave an overview of the concept of community schools and how it applies to their new WIOA Youth program to serve In-School and Out-of-School Youth. Mr. Roscup shared that most elements/services of the WIOA Youth Program were already being served to youth, but they did not have the capacity to pay youth for work experiences. The WIOA Youth funding will now allow them to pay wages to eligible youth as they continue to provide the other services already in place. Mr. Roscup hopes to share insight about school operations and interventions used with at-risk students with the WIOA Youth Team.

## **Reopening of Schools and Around the Room**

Ms. Mahoney stated that Work Experience has been challenging due to work sites being closed or not allowing youth. Although sites had started to become more available over the summer, they are now starting to close down again due to increasing COVID numbers.

Mr. Hughes reported that it has been a rollercoaster for P-Tech. They are now back full-time, in person, after a week-long closure. He also stated that P-Tech students, as students in all schools, are struggling with the online platform. P-Tech will start hosting "Technology Bootcamps" for their students to ensure they know computer basics like how to check their email, attend Zoom meetings, navigate websites, etc. Mr. Hughes shared these are skills you would assume youth have, but they have found this is not the case for most students.

Ms. Hamilton shared that Optimax now has a YouTube channel with a Virtual Tour video among others. Visit their channel here - <https://www.youtube.com/user/OptimaxSystems>.

Ms. Badger stated that while Advanced Manufacturing programs have been interrupted by COVID-19, FLCC will host a virtual orientation session on Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. Discussions have been held to provide the training on a hybrid schedule, but not sure at this time if that is feasible.

Ms. Erdle stated that FLCC has created a Women's Initiative on Leadership online module, similar to the Canandaigua Chamber of Commerce initiative. She also mentioned food drives being supported by FLCC and the Active Minds organization offering mental health resources to students. Ms. Erdle agreed to share more information about these initiatives at a future meeting.

**Next meeting: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:00-4:30 p.m.**

**The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 4:12 p.m.**