



Career Pathways Committee Minutes

CareerSource Tampa Bay
Jan 10, 2024 at 9:00 AM EST

Attendance

Present:

Members: Felicia Bell (remote), Rugina Castillo (remote), Elizabeth Gutierrez (remote), Robert Blount, III (remote), Roy Sweatman (remote), Thayne Swenson (remote)

Absent:

Members: Brian Nathan, April Neumann

Attendance

Present:

Members: Saleema Bennett (remote), Rich Beynon (remote), Leondra Foster (remote), Chad Kunerth (remote), Mario Rodriguez (remote), Dr. Byron Clayton (remote), Tammy Stahlgren (remote), Doug Tobin (remote), April Torregiante (remote), Michelle Zieziula (remote)

Guests: Kiani Bowman (remote), Paul Casebolt (remote), Maritza Morales (remote)

Board Liaison: Jonathan Wolf (remote)

I. Call to Order, Roll Call and Welcome (Presenters: Elizabeth Gutierrez)

Madam Chair, Elizabeth Gutierrez called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. There was a quorum present.

II. Public Comments

There were none.

III. Action Item

A. Approval of Minutes - October 11, 2023, Career Pathway Committee Meeting.

Motion:

To approve the minutes of the October 11, 2023, Career Pathways Committee meeting.

Motion moved by Roy Sweatman and motion seconded by Robert Blount, III. Motion carried.

IV. Discussion Items (Presenters: Dr. Byron Clayton)

A. Evolution of Workshops Based on Observations and Feedback (Presenters: Dr. Byron Clayton)

Dr. Byron Clayton updated the team on the evolving workshops for AVID students and Department of Juvenile Justice Youth, proposing the umbrella

term "Career Success Workshops." It was suggested that a more relatable and catchy name for the series would better resonate with the target population, emphasizing the need to communicate in a language that the population uses. Ultimately it was decided to survey the students for their feedback.

B. Career Success Workshops for AVID Students (Presenters: Dr. Byron Clayton)

Dr. Byron Clayton presented the shift in the AVID program's focus from juniors to seniors, emphasizing the need to provide more targeted support to seniors as they approach graduation. Hopefully in the future as the program expands we would be able to serve younger students in hopes to build the talent pipeline.

C. Career Success Workshops for DJJ Youth

Dr. Byron Clayton presented the outcomes of the pilot program with 15 youth, emphasizing the engagement and positive feedback received from both the youth and staff. The suggestion to expand the program to two weeks for more in-depth learning is discussed, and the decision is made to prioritize comprehensive learning over serving more students. Plans for future expansion to other facilities and collaboration with different organizations are also mentioned.

V. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:58 a.m. Minutes prepared by Tammy Stahlgren, Executive Administrative Assistant.