

RI TRANSITION COUNCIL

JUNE 7, 2006

2:00 – 4:00 pm

Network RI Center

MINUTES

In Attendance: John O'Riley, Ed Handy, Mark Gunning, Kate McCarthy-Barnett, Michael Spierri, Michael Montanaro, Jerry Schimmel, Sue Donovan, Nancy Stevenin and David Sienko

2:05 Welcome & Introductions

2:10 Update on the Partnership for Youth in Transition

- State Agencies completing the mapping survey
- Discussing how and when state agency vendors/partners will complete the survey
- Student and family focus groups begin in July

2:25 Update on Transition Council Priority Work Areas:

Youth Development

Ten students enrolled for the Youth Development training on July 11, 12 in Providence

Data

The Data Work Group is using the work of the Partnership for Youth in Transition and the Rhodes to Independence initiative to examine relevant data and assess data needs. The team has developed a list of priority data areas (attached).

Information to Families

Team has developed one brochure with plans to develop a brochure for students and families, one for each year of high school, to help with transition planning. The team is discussing the best method for getting the information to the students/parents and how to monitor if it is happening.

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Headlines

October 17 Transition Information Evening at Warwick Mall, 12:00 - 7:00 PM. This is a first attempt at organizing a transition outreach event in such a public setting.

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Supporting Meaningful Employment training by Sherlock Center starts September 8 (see www.sherlockcenter.org)

Transition Employment Center (TEC, the Transition Academy for Northern RI) opens in September, contact Maura Silvia

Rhodes to Independence – Job Fair, October – details to follow, contact Kate McCarthy- Barnett

Statewide Transition event scheduled for October 20 at Johnson & Wales- focus will be on training teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, etc. in assisting students in the transition to higher education.

Transition Council Meetings
2:00 – 4:00 PM 2006-2007
Network RI Center
One Reservoir Avenue
Providence, RI 02907

October 4, 2006
December 6, 2006

February 7, 2007
April 4, 2007
June 6, 2007

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