

# **Workforce Partnership of Greater Rhode Island**

## **Youth Council Meeting Minutes**

**October 16, 2008**

**Present: Cynthia Farrell, Everett Amaral, Alberto DeBurgo, Vanessa Cooley, Lissa Dreyer, Sharon Gainey. Also attending was Mavis McGetrick from the State Workforce Investment Office. Staff attending were: Carlos Ribeiro, Christine Grieco, and Patrice Cavanaugh**

**Absent: Sue Babin, Joseph DeSantis, Andrew DeTora, Joseph DiPina, Elizabeth Gilheaney, Dorothy Mattiello, Michael Montanaro, Scott Seaback, Andrew Tyska, Kathleen Stoddard, and Johan Uvin.**

**Without a quorum present, Chair Cynthia Farrell, called the meeting to order at approximately 8:40 a.m.**

### **Minutes from August 28, 2008**

**Chair Cynthia Farrell asked the Council to review the minutes of August 28, 2008.**

**Without a quorum, a vote to accept the minutes is postponed until the next meeting,**

### **Introductions**

**Carlos introduced Christine Grieco, WPGRI's new Acting Director, and Christine provided a brief overview of her work experience.**

## **Youth Program Updates**

**Carlos reviewed PY 2007/2008 WIA Contracts informing the council that 4 new contracts will be starting in November, and for PY 2008 he has targeted to serve 330 WIA clients. He informed the council that the reason My Turn currently shows only 15% enrollment is because they had primarily focused on their summer program; but they are now on target.**

**Carlos then reviewed the JDF Contracts for PY 2007, stating that a total of 131.56% youth were served; there were 3 new contracts starting in November. He informed the council a new vendor, RI Foster Parents Association, needed some extra assistance getting their program running; but they are now on target.**

## **WIA Stand-Alone Funding Proposals**

**Cynthia stated that the Youth Proposal has been re-designed, and gave a brief reviewed on the background for the design change. Stating that the new design is more streamline and should be much easier for both the writer and reader. Cynthia informed the council that the new proposal package only required one proposal for all programs and funding sources; new components had been added, where the funding would go directly to businesses to provide training.**

**Carlos reported that a mandatory Bidders Conference for the new**

**RFP is scheduled for Friday, November 14th.**

### **New Business**

**Carlos introduced the new Youth Center Manager, Adrianna Goode. Adrianna explained that she had just started in her new position and is currently meeting with the staff at each youth center trying to get an overview of each site while looking for any gaps in the system.**

### **Next Meeting**

**The next Youth Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 20th, 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. at the netWORKri Office, 75 Main Street, Pawtucket.**

**Being no further business to come before the committee the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:30 a.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Patrice Cavanaugh**