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Youth Committee Meeting May 21, 2019 Ideal Institute of Technology 4403 E. Blackhorse Pike Mays Landing NJ

Attendance

Jackie Adelman	Anne Dillon	Stephanie Koch	Rhonda Lowery	Rev. Maddox	Michael Margraf
Karen McCormick	Connie Price	Latoyra Smith	Sherwood Taylor	Cynthia Torres	Gina DeMaio
Ren Parikh	Curtis Still	Anne Finley	Rod Green	Dhara Bachman	

Minutes

This meeting was called to order at 9:31am by the committee Chair Stephanie Koch. Koch introduced the host facility director Ren Parikh of Ideal Institute of Technology to give a presentation of services offered.

Presentation

The goal is to empower participants to become an IT expert using a professional, goal-driven and effective approach to learning! Ideal can help to start a new career path in the business and Information Technology industry so that you can take charge of your life with a career in the IT field. Located in Atlantic County, a prime location where there is a re-emergence of a new economy filled with diversified industries and new opportunities. We will play a vital role in the plan to help residents, in Atlantic County and surrounding areas, who were affected by the period of economic down turn re-establish their economic viability through educational technical training and vocational skills. Ideal Institute of Technology provides 100% hands-on training on the following technical programs:

Web Development Specialist

Computer Repair Technician with CompTIA A+ Certification Prep

Cell Phone Repair/ Portable Device Repair Technician

Entrepreneurship Certification

Administrative Professional with Microsoft Office Specialist 2016

High School Equivalency (HSAP) known as GED prep. Program

We ensure that our students get employed after training is over through our special job placement services as well as our on the job training (work study) program. Our Earn While You Learn program will pave the way for students to earn and support their families while they are still learning.

Financial Assistance and Student Loans

Ideal Institute of Technology offers financial help and loans to deserving students. We believe that a person's financial background should never be a hindrance to education and to a successful career. This financial assistance and student loans are provided for eligible students. If you would like to learn more about this contact Ideal Institute today. Ideal Institute of Technology is a not for profit 501 (c) (3) career college in Atlantic County that offers excellent and updated career training in Atlantic County. For more information, contact us today.

Mission- We are a career college in Atlantic County New Jersey that offers career training and technical skills training for students that are looking for better and more challenging careers in the technical industry. We aim to help people become successful through providing excellent technical and vocational training.

Vision- Ideal Institute of Technology would like to become the foremost career college and career training school in Atlantic County. We plan to achieve this by offering the most updated technical and vocational courses and through providing quality educational assistance to our students. *Goal-* Ideal Institute of Technology aims to assist people from Atlantic County who are looking for better careers other than working for casinos in the area. It also plans to help high school graduates and dropouts, unemployed individuals and housewives secure proper technical education.

Objective- Ideal Institute of Technology plans to create a classroom environment that promotes top-notch vocational and technical training. It considers the needs of every student and the value of education in improving one's life. Its training programs were developed to prepare students for a better career in the technical industry.

We offer an unsubsidized employment @\$11 per hour. Currently there are approximately 15 participants to obtain a high school diploma. Ideal has a new facility opening which all of the computers were built by the students. Ideal is also in the process of completing a yearbook. It is the goal to place participants in good paying jobs working with other agencies this can be obtained. Ideal is recruiting 30 apprenticeship participants through a grant that we obtained. Ideal offers a savings club which facilitates the Amazon store with three students are currently working. This concept began 3years ago and Ideal is working on a construction company as well as an appliance repair company. We are hoping to partner with a company that afford us the space to do so as this area will be focused to assist those individuals with a criminal background. Dhara Bachman and Roger Green works tirelessly to ensure the program's success.

Youth Report Cynthia Torres- Vendors Stockton and Ideal level of service is full. America Works 27 customers that are being filtered out to other agencies until June 30th 2019. Lowery added that those vendors that excepts the youth will be paid for the remainder of the year. The renewal will be sent for two vendors Stockton and Ideal in which these providers will be asked for a new budget. This will be scored during the review process and it is a possibility that provider will have to amend their contract for the coming year. Parikh states that any youth that is enrolled and or attending Ideal that is doing well and is compliant will not be terminated; however, the stipend cannot be paid to those participants. Torres cites that the goal for out of school youth is 175 and the in school youth has reached the goal of 100. Currently we received 275 applications for the summer youth intern program with eligibility sessions being held on a weekly basis. Most all employer job sites are career oriented and we are matching each youth accordingly. Once this program is complete we are hopeful that most of the employers would offer full time employment to the youth intern. Lowery added that with the 60 plus employers with 219 available positions from Atlantic County, i.e. Mays Landing, Hammonton, etc. matching the youth is vital. The eligibility criteria is not the same as WIOA; low income and a barrier will suffice, however both is not required. Once we have gone beyond 100 eligible participants WIOA funds will be used. PY18 report is as follows:

PY 18 Vendor Distribution List				
Vendor	LOS	Enrolled	Pending	% of Fulfill
MAINLAND REGIONAL HS	15	11	0	73%
SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DIST.	50	48	0	96%
ISY TOTALS	65	59	0	91%
STOCKTON UNIVERSITY	50	32	0	66%
AMERICA WORKS NJ	45	17	9	38%
IDEAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	80	62	3	79%
OSY TOTALS	175	113	12	65%
YOUTH PROGRAM TOTALS	240	172	12	72%
YOUTH REQUIRING HSE	59			
YOUTH CASE MANAGER: BONNIE DIXION	Assigned	Enrolled	Pending	Completed
MAINLAND REGIONAL HS	15	11	0	
STOCKTON UNIVERSITY	30	19	0	
AMERICA WORKS NJ	27	10	4	
IDEAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	48	30	3	
OTHER	26	2		
TOTALS	146	72	7	0
YOUTH CASE MANAGER: LEESA TOSCANO	Assigned	Enrolled	Pending	Completed
SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DIST.	50	47	0	
STOCKTON UNIVERSITY	20	12	0	
AMERICA WORKS NJ	18	7	5	
IDEAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	32	27	4	1
OTHER	20	3		1
TOTALS	140	96	9	2

Youth Corp Report Rev. Maddox- currently there are 26 enrolled with 17 completed. There are 10 participants which completed OSHA training. The OSHA Outreach Training Program for the Construction Industry provides training for workers and employers on the recognition, avoidance, abatement, and prevention of safety and health hazards in

workplaces in the construction industry. The 2019 Graduation is scheduled for June 28, 2019 held at Bally's Casino with the commencement speech to be given by the President of Atlantic Cape Community College Dr. Barbara Gaba. During the month of July 2019 we will implement Drug & Alcohol Training to include weekly group sessions. The report is as follows:



Old Business

Lowery Reports that contracts are complete. In School Youth contract was awarded to Atlantic City Boys & Girls Club and renewal contracts will go out for Ideal and Stockton. Atlantic Cape Community College will host the Work Readiness for the Summer Intern Program. Atlantic County Workforce Development Board was awarded the GAINS grant to which Ideal will host a partition of training; we are hopeful for the success of each training.

New Business

Michael Epps will reschedule the Job Counsel meeting due to poor attendance. A youth plan will be completed for Atlantic City.

Symposium- in September 2019 this Symposium will focus on Apprenticeship and Employment.

Adjourned 10:28am

