

**NWWIB, INC. YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, April 17, 2007**  
**CEP, Inc. Administrative Office - 3: 30 p.m. – Ashland, WI**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Present**

Brad Gingras, CEP, Inc.  
Candace Salmon, Ashland Cty. Human Services  
Otto Rusch, WIB Member  
Dustin Meyers, Youth at Superior School District  
Mitch Bormann- WIB Member  
Andrea Schullo, WITC Shell Lake  
Sheila Young, Sawyer County Housing Authority  
LeRoy Forslund, WIB Chairman  
Bruce Lindgren, WIB Member  
Janelle Sarkarski, representing ICAA  
Sheryl Rodina, representing ICAA  
Patrice Waldron, Parent Representative

**Excused**

Jerome Drahos  
Jim Lee  
Mark Richter  
Alyson Sporer  
Joan Wimme

**Others Present**

Mari Kay Nabozny  
Jennifer Baron

The meeting was called to order by Mitch Bormann, Youth Council Chairman. Members present constituted a quorum. Everyone introduced themselves.

It was noted that the public meeting notice was published in 2 class A newspapers and aired on the area radio stations in WDA #7.

**Approval of the January 16, 2007, Meeting Minutes**

<p>A motion was made by LeRoy Forslund to approve the January 16, 2007, meeting minutes. Seconded by Otto Rusch. Vote taken, carried unanimously.</p>
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**Northland Works Project Update**

Brad Gingras explained the Northland Works Project. Brad discussed marketing for Northland Works project through the website and other sources. He explained the mission of Northland Works which is to combat the brain drain of youth from our area. Brad created a resource guide for Ashland High School staff that contains information about services available to youth, such as businesses that offer job shadowing opportunities, the Crex Meadows Youth Camp and other

workforce services. Brad will create resource guide for Superior, Floodwood, Proctor and Duluth. Brad indicated that he wants to reach all the area high schools, but due to lack of staff capacity, it will take some time. Brad said that many organizations have donated staff time to help promote the Northland Works project.

### **Youth RFP**

The youth programs funded under the Workforce Investment Act requires request for proposals is out for bids. This is done each year. The WIB received three youth proposals. The RFP sub-committee will review the proposals decide which proposal to fund. The members of the Youth RFP sub-committee are Otto Rusch, Bruce Lindgren and Sheila Young. The date of the Youth RFP Sub-committee meeting is on May 14, 2007, at 2:30 p.m. The committee will score the proposals received. Discussion took place concerning the criteria required for a proposal. It was noted that proposals that do not get accepted are informed by mail.

### **Crex Meadows Youth Camp Fundraising Report**

Brad discussed the Crex Meadows Youth Camp fundraising efforts. CEP addressed the need for further funding for the Crex Meadows Youth Camp at Superior Days with the Department of Workforce Development. It was noted that the meetings with the legislators to support funding for the camp went very positively. Brad stated that many people have donated money to help support the camp's operation. Brad indicated that \$6,000 has been raised to date for the Camp. A set, series of contributions will be requested for a three year period to help sustain the Camp. Otto encouraged members of the Council to spread the word about The Crex Meadows Youth Camp to civic organizations that they belong to, and other community groups. Another suggestion was to seek out a permanent endowment. A suggestion was made to establish a fundraising committee. A suggestion was made to increase the size of the camp to make it more noticeable and fundable. Brad indicated that some Board members have voluntarily donated their per diem to the Camp.

### **Other Business**

None

### **Next Meeting Date and Location**

The next meeting of the Youth Council will be on Tuesday, July 11, 2007, at the Crex Meadows Youth Camp in Grantsburg at 10:30 a.m.

### **Adjournment**

A motion was made by Otto Rusch to adjourn. Seconded by Bruce Lindgren. Vote take, carried.
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The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.