

Approval of Minutes 03/11/2025

A. AJC Report/Updates

Karla Tabing reported that February 2025 saw a decrease in attendance. The weather did not help the situation, and we hope to see numbers pick up soon.

****First Workshop: Let's Talk Interviews****

The session lasted 1.5 hours and was attended by 9 people, although they were quite reserved. The breakdown of attendees is as follows:

- 6 participants from SCSEP (including Goodwill representative Veronica McMichaels)
- 2 individuals referred by IDES
- 1 attendee from Harrisburg, possibly connected to inter-agency outreach

****Upcoming Second Workshop: Application and Resume Workshop****

This is planned for April.

B. MTC Updates – Stephanie Robinson

Stephanie Robinson reported that she was selected for the Interim CEO as of February 25, 2025.

We are continuing to conduct business as usual. If you need anything, please reach out to me. Tammy Kirk will help connect you with me. We are committed to maintaining our operations and look forward to meeting with our partners to build strong relationships. As we navigate this interim period, we will do everything possible to continue our collaboration with our partners. AJC is performing well, and Shauntae is doing a great job up there. We remain focused on serving our customers and increasing our enrollments.

C. Business Service Update

Rick Sarensen from IDES provided the following upcoming events:

1.State and Federal Careers Workshop**

Date: March 13 - Location: AJC

2. Off-Base Transition Training Workshops (OBTT)

Focus: Resume Essentials and Interview Skills

Date: March 19 Duration: Two hours each Location: AJC

3. RLC Job Fair Date: March 20 and JALC Job Fair Date: March 26

Additional Opportunities:

- Walgreens is hosting Walk-in Wednesdays in Mount Vernon.
- Crisp Container is also offering walk-in sessions on Thursdays.

D. Updates on Status of Programs

Michelle Guy from JALC reported that new registration will begin again on March 25th.

There are probably 6 to 8 seats left for the ESL class.

Spring Break week is approaching, and not much is happening during that time.

Linda Stasko – RLC Adult Education**

Linda Stasko reported that testing will take place this week. Registration for new students and the start of classes will begin at the end of April or the beginning of May. A flyer will be sent out with the new dates. Linda requested that the flyer be sent out in the weekly letter that Theresa sends out.

Adult Education Update – Sandy Snowden– Program Coordinator

Sandy Snowden reported that they will conduct registration next week, which is expected to create a bit of chaos as we manage both running classes and registration simultaneously. Please direct anyone interested in obtaining a GED or a High School Diploma our way.

Additionally, they are offering a healthcare component in our bridge course for the upcoming quarter. Students enrolled in this bridge program will receive general information across various subjects related to healthcare, along with training in "Stop the Bleed," CPR, first aid, and Narcan. Those who participate will earn three general certificates as part of the bridge class. Classes are held in the afternoon from 12:15 to 2:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. If anyone is interested, please encourage them to join us and complete these classes.

We are also wrapping up our second round of the entrepreneurship program this term, with 12 students enrolled. I anticipate that 9 of them will pass. Hopefully, some of those 9 will advance to the entrepreneurship ICAPS class to earn their industry-recognized certificate in entrepreneurship. This is our goal: to ensure they complete the bridge class before moving on to the ICAPS class, as that's the current requirement.

Please note that this will be our last registration until summer, as we will not register again until summer classes begin in June. My flyer was included in the Friday roundup that was sent out, so you can refer to that for current information.

At the adult education conference last week, there was significant discussion about various topics, but I can't think of any additional updates for adult education at this time, aside from the uncertainties we face. Our state leaders reassured us repeatedly that we are going to be okay. This was the main message communicated to us just last week.

E. PY 25 MOU

Tammy Kirk stated we need to introduce this matter, and I'll let Stephanie discuss it. We should also appoint someone else to be the lead negotiator.

Stephanie Robinson reported that typically, the CEO of ManTraCon serves as the lead negotiator, but we want to ensure that this role is open to others. If anyone is interested in taking on this responsibility, please let us know. At this point, I'm willing to do it, but I wanted to give others the opportunity to express their interest.

Sandy Snowden made a suggestion that Stephanie Robinson continues in this role of navigator.

Karla Tabing made a motion for Stephanie to be the lead negotiator.

Deb Keelin – IDES, seconds that motion.

Stephanie Robinson said Thank You!