

**Jefferson Parish Workforce Development Board
Youth Committee Meeting
Thursday, January 23, 2024
Joseph S. Yenni Building
1221 Elmwood Park Blvd. 303**

- I. Welcome** – Arlanda Williams called the meeting to order.
Board Members Present: Lisa Barback, LaDinah Carter, Leigh Hallas, Tom Jones, Theresa Lawrence, Arlanda Williams, Andy O’Brien, Jerry Repka II
Members Absent: Toya Crosby, Danielle Garrett, Kate Wendel, Robert Senior, Christine Vo, Kate Wendel
Others Present: Darrel Lewis, Frances Turner, Jada Jenkins, Deanna Stewart, and JoAnn Johnson

**II. Approval of Youth Committee Meeting Minutes
October 12, 2024**

Arlanda Williams requested a motion to accept the minutes from October 12, 2023.
Andy Obrien moved to accept the minutes from October 12, 2023.
Theresa Lawrence second the motion to accept the minutes from October 12, 2023

OPPOSED 0 YEAS 8 ABSTAINED 0 ABSENT 6

- III. American Job Center-Request for Proposal (RFP)** - a discussion was held about the presentation of Career Team selection as Provider of Services RFP for Youth, Adult, and Dislocated Worker program. The recommendation to approve with the following amendments: Renegotiate the budget, and the addition of a clause stating the right to terminate, modify, or amend the contract based on the availability of funds and WIOA regulations

Jerry Repka requested a motion to recommend Career Team for the Provider of Services RFP
Jerry Repka moved to recommend Career Team as Provider of Service RFP
Andy Obrien seconded the motion to recommend Career Team as Provider of Services RFP

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- IV. One Stop Operator Update** - Darrel Lewis discussed customized training by WIOA. Additional funding options for Drivers licenses, birth certificates, etc.

- V. Upcoming Initiatives** – Francis Turner discussed upcoming Employment/Career Fair for Youth in Jefferson Parish, Youth Enrichment Program, WEX (Work Experience Program). Monthly touch points. Upscaling various

- VI. Open Discussion/Other Business** – Incentive Policy success. Monthly Touch points. Deanna Stewart’s visit to Build Strong to discuss interviewing, training and youth interests with students.

Arlanda Williams requested a motion to adjourn
Lisa Barback moved to adjourn.
Tom Jones Seconded the motion.

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MEETING ADJOURNED