

**Pasco Hernando Workforce Board Meeting**  
**Youth Committee Summary Minutes**  
**July 12, 2010**

**Board Members attending:** Emile Laurino, Chair, and David Franklin

**Board members absent:** Rob Aguis, Larry Utt, and Claire Walker

**Committee members and Guests:** Pat Crowley, Greater Hernando County Chamber of Commerce; Denise Szulis and Paul Kendrick, Henkels and McCoy, Superintendent Bryan Blavatt, Greg Jarque, Omni Circuits, and Brenda Gause.

The meeting was called to order by Emile Laurino at 9:30 am.

**Business Meeting**

**Action Items/Discussion**

Approval of minutes: Emile Laurino

Review and approval of minutes from April 27, 2010

**Update from Summer Youth program: Paul Kendrick and Denise Szulis**

Denise Szulis provided an update on the Summer Youth program. The first phase included 35 youth from the TANF program and the five week training was completed in June 2010. These youths went through a five week simulated, classroom training on building computers and green technology. Of the 35 youth participants, currently 33 youth are placed on job sites. Questions how many youth will complete the program successfully and will secure employment. Another good point is many of these youth have never had a job and completing this program is something that can be placed on their resume.

The next phase started on June 28 for a six week program, consisting of 30 younger youth. It is a five week worksite placement program. The final phase will begin on August 9 for the older youth. It is a five week worksite placement program for 25 youth.

Ms. Szulis provided the objectives of the program and explained if the youth participants are not employed at the end of the program, they stay in the WIA program until three outcomes occur, which are: Job placement, college placement and obtains credentials. They are ready to protector three different certification exams in green technology, customer service and food service. This will prepare the youth to be more competitive in the current workforce and obtain gainful employment.

Discussion followed. Other tools noted were Microsoft training.

It was noted that the current youth population is not used to success and being committed. Concerned raise is that we measure the performance or rate of success and to replicate success. Everything activity we complete should be measured.

## Younger Youth Committee Summary Minutes

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Emile Laurino stated the Committee needs to develop their goals and increase the outcomes of youth obtaining degrees, working with the employers, coordinating all the resources and partners together.

### **Other Youth activity updates**

- Pasco County

- Hernando County: Current graduation rate for Hernando County is 96%, which is a measured outcome to improve.

- Youth Round Youth update

### **Review the objectives of the Committee for next steps**

Other

**Public Comments**

**Adjournment**