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## EMPLOY MILWAUKEE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### Youth Committee

Wednesday, Wednesday May 10, 2023

1:30pm-3:00pm.

Via Zoom Technology

### APPROVED MINUTES

**Members:** Katrice Cotton, Chee Thao, Karen Sotak, Sharlen Moore, Jolene Cooley, Gerard Randall, Deshea Agee, Sylvia Swan

**Members Absent:** Chytania Brown, Bevin Christie, Derick Cornelius, Dionne Grayson, Jakeim Jackson-Bell, Karen Higgins, Donta Holmes, David Knutson, La Toya Sykes

**Guests:** None

**Employ Milwaukee Staff:** Julie Cayo, Brenda King

**Dr. Katrice Cotton called meeting to order at 1:35pm.**

#### 1. Youth Committee

##### a. *Approval of Minutes from February, Youth Committee meeting*

*Gerald Randell motioned for approval of minutes from February 8, 2023, and seconded by Sharlen Moore; meeting minutes approved unanimously.*

#### 2. Agenda Item 2: General Updates

The 2023 WIOA Youth Service RFP was released on February 28<sup>th</sup>, received 2 OSY and 2 ISY proposals. Proposers for OSY were UNCOMM & Dynamic Workforce Solutions, for ISY the proposers were UNCOMM and The Boys and Girls Club of Greater Milwaukee, the letters went out today 5/10 for those that move on received invites to the Program Committee to present, they will recommend who moves on to the Executive Committee for final approval on May 25<sup>th</sup>. The Department of Labor released a TEGL on youth programs, Employ's youth team is reviewing it and share out to youth providers.

**3: Youth Program Reports:** Camp Rise, has hired 30 counselors that will serve 200 boys and 5 girls. Total registrations received was 973, 414 sent to MPS for review, once that is completed will need to

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complete CDBG review since they are supplying funding for the campers. Camp starts June 1<sup>st</sup>. First day June 20<sup>th</sup>, last day July 31<sup>st</sup>. Field trips scheduled for the kids Discovery World, Havenswoods State Forest, Brewers Game, Incrediroll, and Jones Island. Earn & Learn has 2600 Registrations started, 1128 participants registered, 1201 job opportunities at 117 worksites. First day of work is June 20<sup>th</sup> and last day is August 6<sup>th</sup>, the end of the summer celebration will take place August 5<sup>th</sup> at Employ Milwaukee. YouthBuild grant was awarded on May 1, 2023, for \$1,496,882 and will begin on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Cream City YouthBuild will provide industry training in construction. Partners include Milwaukee Christian Center, Literacy Services of Wisconsin, WisDOT, and WRTP/BIG STEP. Cream City will serve 28 participants on a construction tract and 40 participates on a transportation/construction track. Brighter Futures currently has 66 enrollments. WIOA ISY Services has 39 new enrollments and the OSY have 263 new enrollments. Both WIOA programs will have new service providers next meeting.

**4: Agenda Item: Committee Member Updates:** Gerald Randall and the Milwaukee Education Partnership will be doing the FASFA at Summerfest again this year. Working with MPS to hire graduates of HBCU'S to see if they can have these individuals to come and student teach with the district. Sylvia Swan wants to share that they do not shut down during the summer they are a 365 program. They are an option for any youth from 16-24.

*Meeting adjourned at 2:09pm CST.*

**Next Youth Committee meeting is scheduled for August 9, 2023, at 1:30p.m. -3:00p.m.**

**Next Board of Directors meeting is September 14, 2023, at 8:30a.m.-10:00a.m.**