AD HOC Youth Committee

Report to the Board 11/19/2020
Ad Hoc Youth Committee Findings
A more permanent committee

Imagine a WIOA youth committee in three alternatives:

1. Administrative - Oversight of finances and performance of youth programs
2. Coordinating - A forum for youth, providers, educators, and employers who share ideas, identify gaps, and provide solutions
3. Strategizing - Establish regional strategies that prioritize spending to serve the broadest youth population
The Board already provides the administrative function. That function occupies the bulk of staff capacity.

Because work2future currently serves a relatively small number of youth with intensive services, we are not well-suited to provide a region-wide strategy and lack resources.
What can we do?

Gather interested parties to identify service gaps, solutions, and best practices.

Youth service providers  Lived-Experienced Youth

Educators  Employers
Coordinating Youth Committee - What would it look like?

- Informal advisory forum
- Initial one-year term that can be extended
- 12 - 20 members initially - providers, educators, youth, employers
- Individuals who are youth-engaged volunteers - year engagement
- 4 - 6 meetings in the initial year
- w2f participants
- Initial goals - aligning providers to identify service gaps and propose solutions
Specific Goals

• Enlist at least 18 members who regularly attend and participate
• Identify 4 gaps in current youth services
• Identify a solution to each of the gaps
• Provide a year-end summary of findings
• Use the findings to help draft a regional youth strategy
Recommendation to the Board

Approve participation in the outlined Youth Forum