



## **YOUTH COMMITTEE**

GoToMeeting® 10:00 – 11:00 AM  
Tuesday, March 14, 2017  
Walt Sullivan Building, Helena, MT

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jasyn Harrington (Chair), Cindy Dufner, Jim O’Neill, Tanya Murgel, Lisa Newman, Erika Willis, Kristie Moss, and Tim Brurud

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Katie Spalinger

**STAFF:** Shannon Lewis

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:** Chair Harrington called the meeting to order at 10:00.

**ROLL CALL:** Shannon Lewis conducted roll call and established a quorum.

**AGENDA:** Chair Harrington asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

***Ms. Newman moved and Mr. Brurud seconded a motion to approve the agenda.***

***The motion carried.***

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS:**

Committee members went through and introduced themselves and let the group know what organization or entity they are representing on the Youth Committee. The Youth Committee is comprised of a diverse group of individuals from throughout Montana who have roles that enables them to have direct interaction with youth through the programs they administer.

Jasyn Harrington (Chair): Executive Director of CTI, Helena

Cindy Dufner: Foster Care Program Administrator, Glendive

Jim O’Neill: Curriculum Director, Butte

Tanya Murgel: Youth Probation and Parole (Helena)

Lisa Newman: Youth Program Administrator, Helena

Erika Willis: Homeless Youth Provider, Tumbleweed, Billings

Kristie Moss: JobCorps, Missoula

Tim Brurud: Boys & Girls Club of the Hi-Line and Youth Justice Board with the Board of Crime Control, Havre

**WIOA YOUTH PROGRAM OVERVIEW:**

Shannon Lewis provided the committee with an overview of WIOA's Youth Program, and the changes within the program that are particularly challenging for youth providers who have been providing services throughout Montana under WIA and now WIOA. WIOA shifted its focus from In-School Youth to Out-of-School Youth as its population to focus its funding on. This Committee will develop some best practices and help develop strategies to help youth providers throughout Montana reach more out-of-school youth and provide meaningful training experiences.

**MISSON STATEMENT AND COMMITTEE GOALS:**

The committee discussed potential goals it would like to achieve over the next year; however, before the committee can embark on beginning its work, it was decided that each meeting should allow time for each member of the committee to discuss the work that they do and how everyone's experiences contribute to the larger vision of serving youth with significant barriers to employment. In addition, the committee wanted to know who the providers are that provide WIOA youth training throughout Montana.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Chair Harrington adjourned the meeting at 10:55 AM.