

Clint North Central P-16 Council

Minutes

January 20, 2017

PRESENT:

Tim Amyx	Jerry Faulkner	Reggie Mudd
Kim Baker	Sherrri Ferguson	Kaci Murley
Carol Bazenet	Phyllis Foley	Kim Myers
Stephen Beck	Amanda Foster	Rick Parrent
Howard Bradley	Kathy Gunn	George Pimentel
Jennifer Brezina	Sandi Hoff	Wolfgang Roeder
Ben Bruce	Anthony Holt	Clint Satterfield
Mandy Christenson	Jimmy Johnston	Judy Schuelke
Mike Davis	Charlie Koon	Emily Short
Kay Dayton	Bill Locke	Eric Taylor
Rod DeVore	Hilary Marabeti	Lori Thomas-Recorder
Lisa Dickson	Matthew McAfee	Tami Wallace
Andrew Dollar	Kelly Miller	

Business:

The meeting was called to order by Clint Satterfield. Minutes from the October meeting were approved.

8th Grade Career Exploration Fair Update: The Sumner, Trousdale, Macon County career fair will be held on May 18, 2017. The next council meeting is February 7, 2017.

Ben Bruce gave an overview of the career fair purpose, the main objective being to present to students goals to work toward. He also shared that alternative school students will be offered the opportunity to attend the career fair. Vendors and sponsorships are needed.

Program Presenter: Kaci Murley with Complete Tennessee

Under Executive Director Kenyatta Lovett, Complete Tennessee seeks to facilitate the sustainability of the Governor's Drive to 55 program. The plan is to look to the public and private sector with the following initiatives:

- Community Engagement- this is where the program is at this time. The Listening Tour will take the program information on the road to the communities and will include round table discussions.
- Advocacy and Accountability- Unraveling what has been confusing data, and offering more transparency.
- Leadership Development- Connecting state wide leaders by offering Complete TN Leadership Academy, CTLA, along with TN Legislative Staff Education Institute, TLSE, which will provide legislative staffers an opportunity to learn about higher ed topics, issues, and practices which in turn will enable them to inform the policy makers.
- Innovation- The sharing of ideas, and how to make them work.
- Coming Out Initiative- Room to Grow, the state of Higher Education in TN will open opportunities for discussion about successes and failures in higher ed.

Discussion and Q & A: In the respective counties, what is available and what barriers exist in regard to higher education?

Mayor Howard Bradley of Robertson County shared the history that led to the opening of Highland Crest in Springfield.

Anthony Holt of Sumner County shared his view that one of the barriers to interest in obtaining higher ed is when opportunity does not exist. While Sumner County has a lot of opportunity, VSCC, Union Univ., Welch College, many of the counties have no opportunity.

Dr. Faulkner shared one of Sumner County's best practices, industry shadowing for 9-12 graders that helps to encourage them to stay local.

Trousdale County is small and rural with limited resources, therefore Clint Satterfield shared how they network with other partners such as taking 8th grade students on field trips to college campuses, offering dual enrollment classes, competency tests in reading and math that reveals that students are competitive with students in other counties. Trousdale County schools have been recognized for the last two years as having one of the best programs in the state.

Hilary Marabeti reminded everyone of the value of non-credit courses and certificates that are available online.

The meeting adjourned at 12:50, with the next meeting scheduled for April 17,2017.