

Career & Educational Advisory Council
(CEAC)
Virtual Meeting

Friday, November 6, 2020
1:00 P.M.

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chair, Troy Napier. Fourteen (14) voting members and nine (9) other members were present. A total of eight staff were present.

II. Action Item

a. Nomination of Officers for 2021

Charmian Fletcher made a motion that we retain the present officers. Leyna Miller supported the motion. Motion passed.

2021 Officers are:

Troy Napier, Chair
Robert Matthews, Vice Chair
James Avery, Secretary

b. Approval of CEAC Minutes of June 19, 2020

Leyna Miller made a motion to approve the CEAC minutes of June 19, 2020. James Avery supported the motion. Motion passed.

c. Approval of 2021 Meeting Schedule

Discussion ensued regarding the meeting schedule for 2021. Charmian Fletcher made a motion to approve the 2021 Meeting Schedule. Leyna Miller supported the motion. Motion approved.

d. Approval of Mia D. McNeil to Workforce Development Board

Jody Kerbyson informed members of the resignation of WDB member, Laura Zuck. She represented the Education Sector on the WDB. Mia D. McNeil is being nominated as a replacement. Robert Mathews moved to approve the appointment. Charmian Fletcher supported the motion. Motion passed.

III. Updates

a. Adult Education

Dale Moore spoke about allocation and the number served for Region 6. \$1,053 was available per student. Numbers were low for all program in the region because of the COVID-19 virus. They have met with other providers to re-evaluate.

b. MiSTEM

The Mid-Michigan region has been working on updating their mission and vision. Three priorities were highlighted, strengthening the network, contributing to the COVID 19 response and elevating computer science.

Jessica Billiau attended the Upper Thumb Region session with Kristen Zagorski. We are looking to present MiCareer Quest on a smaller scale county by county.

c. Career and College Access Network

Genesee County, Patti Yorks - At this time we are waiting for grant approval. The main focus is on how we can do county-wide events and how we can work with seniors.

Huron County, Lane Walker – This has been a challenging year. Sessions were not cancelled. There has been a lot of paperwork and a lot of time has been spent on the phone with the health department. We had two cases of the virus but there were no exposures.

Lapeer County, Ann Konarski – We are getting ready for our 8th Grade Career Fair. We had one last year. This year we incorporated a math component. We have a 3rd college advisor and now there is the capacity to talk one-on-one with students.

Sanilac County, Debbie Nelson – Things are going well in our area. We are fortunate to do face-to-face. We are happy to be back.

Shiawassee County, Charmian Fletcher – Classes have been on-line for the entire year. All CTE programs have been face-to-face at Baker. There has been lots less academic success because students are taking jobs while school is in progress. Students work during school hours is prohibited. We have had to do more tutoring and face-to-face. Recruitment for next year has started. The virtual approach will be used.

Tuscola County, Todd Laventure – We have started face-to-face sessions. The kids have been great and there has been minimum disruption. PPE is being worn and we were fortunate to get students from last year back. Eleven welding students are earning certificates.

d. Skilled Trades, Wanda Bigelow – We are working with employers. Grants are coming but at this time we are waiting on more information.

e. Marshall Plan, Jaime Ratliff – Because of the virus, we have moved in spurts. We had planned to start in the fall, but the plan now is to start in January. A part-time position is available, and we are interested in starting the conversation with candidates. Next fall this should be a full-time position.

IV. Mavin Presentation

Raymond Barry and Jessica Billiau presented on a free online flexible, adaptive engagement for academic and college careers. This useful tool for any industry also allows job descriptions to be set up. A search can be conducted in specific areas. The group will put together a panel discussion. CEAC members will be asked to be advisors to see who in the different counties

may be interested. Questions arose as to who can have access to this and the availability to see what students are searching for.

V. The Broadband Survey

Quentin Bishop – The link to the survey was distributed to members. Everyone was reminded that this survey is for the Lapeer County area only.

VI. Regional Career Outlook

Dylan Schafer – A quarterly analysis was given. If information is needed for a specific area or occupation, Dylan is able to compile that data.

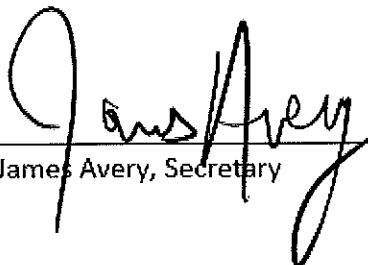
VII. Talent Talk Quarterly Newsletter

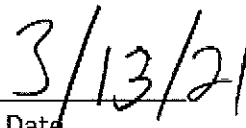
Jody Kerbyson – The September 2020 issue of Talent Talk was reviewed. There were 60,295 Unemployment Insurance calls this quarter. GST staff assisted the Michigan Unemployment Insurance agency with calls and inquires.

VIII. Adjournment

Seeing no further comments/business, Verona Terry moved for adjournment at 2:05 p.m. Charmian Fletcher supported the motion. Motion passed. The next meeting is scheduled for March 12, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted
James Avery, Secretary
Helen Brown, Support Staff


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Date