



Employment Workgroup Meeting Notes

Date 10/6/2009 **Time** 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m. **Location** JOIN/ProNet Office,
1201 Terminal Way, Ste 104, Reno

Facilitator: Jesse Gregory

Timekeeper: Joy Grude **Note taker:** Joy Grude

Attendees: Laura DuPree, Joy Erdelt, Susan Fix, Jesse Gregory, Joy Grude, Shannon McCoy, Candy Nolte, Jeremy Stocking

Notes

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- Agenda item:** Introduction & Agenda Review **Presenter:** Jesse Gregory
- *Guest Speaker – Jeremy Stocking, Children’s Cabinet*
 - Program Summary - Family and Youth Interventions Department (Jeremy distributed to group and gave brief description of the following programs at the Children’s Cabinet):
 - Family Counseling
 - Case Management
 - Runaway and Homeless Youth Mentoring and Equipping (RHYME)
 - Project Safe Place
 - Street Outreach
 - Independent Living Program (ILP)
 - Tutoring
 - The Computer Cabinet
 - Teens Doing Stuff (TDS)
 - Safe Place Drop-In Center
 - Community Education
 - Family Storyteller
 - Nevada Child Seekers
 - Life Enhancement Program (LEP)
 - Differential Response
 - Transition Specialist Program
 - Gang Reduction Program
 - Aggression Replacement Training
 - Achieving Work and Educational Success
 - Summer Work Experience
 - Child Care Resources and Referral Dept.
 - Child Care Subsidy
 - Respite Care
 - Child Care Referrals
 - Caregiver Support Network (CSN)
 - Child Care Provider Services
 - Q&A
 - Children’s Cabinet offers help to parents in finding specific programs for children
 - Schedules intake for case management
 - Anyone in community is eligible
 - Foster Care Program works closely with Children’s Cabinet
 - One-on-one counseling
 - Volunteers welcome: former foster youth, college students receive credit
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Agenda item: Plan Next Steps – Subcommittees Specific **Presenter:** Jesse Gregory
Tasks: Susan Fix

- *Increase awareness of RFL in the community*

Discussion:

- Follow up with Karoline Wightman at KOLO regarding marketing and branding assistance:
 - On hold until Executive Committee meets on October 12. (Mike Steedman requesting approval to work with a marketing firm to create RFL literature and branding.)
 - News story can provide value.
- Casa de Vida:
 - Program for pregnant teens, ages 12-25, maximum of 6 in program
 - Jesse met with counselor Paula Crandall, to discuss how we can partner. Paula requested a list of resources to provide to the pregnant teens.
 - Need for resources to be successful after having child: employment, housing, vocational, job readiness
- Next steps for Sparks Chamber member survey:
 - Integrate Job Corps information on the Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC): State pays half of salary.
 - Chamber logo to include Hispanic Business Network on survey
- Nevada Micro Enterprise Inc.:
 - Received a grant to start a tee-shirt business
 - Deborah Prout, President and CEO, has contacted the Children’s Cabinet for their youth to be part of the entrepreneurship.
- Lunch at Job Corps:
 - On hold due to budget restraints

Conclusions: Consistent progress has been made in the efforts to increase awareness of RFL in the community.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Provide copy of JOIN’s resource list to Paula Crandall at Casa de Vida	Jesse Gregory	11/1/2009
✓ Follow up with Steve Casper regarding Sparks Chamber member survey	Susan Fix	11/1/2009
✓ Email Job Corps information to group	Joy Grude	10/12/2009

Agenda item: Next Steps: Internship Subcommittee: **Presenter:**

- *Reno Aces Youth Placements* Laura DuPree
- *Freelancers Office Services Placements* Joy Erdelt
- *Current Successes* Jesse Gregory



- Discussion:**
- Reno Aces: Brett McGuiness, employer for the Reno Aces, will work exclusively with Laura DuPree as the RFL rep for youth placements.
 - Possible employment opportunities for the season beginning in March 2010 through September 2010. Placements will be decided collectively from the group.
 - Brett will keep us posted with openings for employment/internships in maintenance, janitorial, ticket office, etc.
 - Next season will be trial run to see how well it works, and if it is successful.
 - Freelancers Office Services:
 - Joy Erdelt will contact Linda Scott regarding unpaid internships for students from Sierra Nevada Job Corps.
 - “Memorandum of Understanding”:
 - Work in progress
 - Keep on agenda
 - Current Successes:
 - Jesse Gregory has created a list of successes and will share with the group at the next meeting.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Contact Linda Scott, Freelancers Office Services (322-9500) regarding youth placements and report back to the Employment Workgroup.	Joy Erdelt	11/3/2009
✓ Provide “RFL List of Successes” to the group.	Jesse Gregory	11/3/2009

New/Other Business

Agenda item:

- *Website Update*
- *Speaker for next meeting*

Presenter: Jesse Gregory

Discussion:

- The framework for the website is in progress.
- Jesse will continue to seek updates on the website.
- The group requested copies of Executive Committee Meeting Notes

Conclusions:

- Updates will be requested and communicated to the Group at the next meeting.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Send Executive Committee Meeting Notes to the Employment Workgroup members	Joy Grude	10/16/2009
✓ Speaker at the November meeting:	Bob Alessandrelli	11/3/2009
✓ Speaker at the December meeting:	Laura DuPree	12/1/2009

Adjournment and Next meeting:

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 3rd at the JOIN Office. The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.