

AREA PLANNING COUNCIL MEETING
December 9, 2016

AGENDA/MINUTES

1. Introductions

Andy Wilson, YMCA program; Jaclyn Vinson, DHS; Tamera Forthenberry, DHA; Peggie Bott, DHS; Layne Estes, DHS; Jonathan Jett, WIOA; Cheryl Reifsteck, ROE; Jamie Dorsey, Potomac Grade School Superintendent; Dick Brazda, ESL tutor; Susie Landers, Adult Ed; Brandice Connor, Literacy Adult Ed; Laura Williams, Adult Ed.

Minutes from the Dec. 1, 2015 meeting were distributed.

2. Purpose of APC

Laura described the purpose of the APC: 1) to study local area needs for adult ed and to establish priorities 2) to coordinate delivery plans for AE 3) to assist in the development of an overall area plan for the delivery of AE services and 4) To submit the plan. Laura distributed the By-Laws to new members.

3. Update of Area Plan/Comments/Changes

Laura distributed Attachment 3A and Attachment 4 for the FY2017 plan that was submitted and gave an update, asking members to review at their leisure and provide any comment. She said this would be similar to what would be submitted for FY18 once that came out. Asked for comments or suggestions. Jonathan Jett added explanation on partnerships.

4. Update on SOS/Literacy

Brandice Connor was introduced as the new Literacy Coordinator. She gave an overall description of the program and gave some examples of services.

5. Update on Phoenix

DHS Phoenix partnership did not happen this Fall due to a lack of participants. It was unsure if this would continue in the future.

6. Update on GED programs/sites/ged.com

The regular sites as usual plus the Boys and Girls Club new site added this fall. Mr. Jett said that the one-stop would be available for classes. Laura explained about the GED/HiSet and Tasc. Laura discussed the Middle College Program and Cheryl asked about possible students being referred to it after they left the RSSC.

7. Items from the Floor

Cheryl Reifsteck: explained structure for RSSC.

Jonathan Jett: described WIOA and the GOALS program. Would like to include any information from this committee's programs to be published in the WIOA Newsletter and these would be available at each agency to hand out.

Peggie Bott: described time limit on certain programs and said they would like for DACC to give presentations once a month for GED and they are also interested in the Bridges out of Poverty sessions. They are also interested in Programs the WIOA Office offers.

Andy Wilson: Described his program and how they work with students to help with GED and employment. Said they could use 4 more participants. Adult Ed. can make some referrals to this program.

Jaclyn Vinson/Tamera Forthenberry: described an accountability protocol for residents with minor children. Also told about the Bridges out of Poverty classes taking place.

Dick Brazda: reminded everyone about the VITA program for income tax assistance.

Susie Landers: updated the group on the CNA program and said there are tuition costs now. Told how some people are being sponsored by potential employers.

A need that was mentioned is transportation to GED classes. Laura asked if anyone could help with bus passes for students and none of the participants had that type of funding.