

2018 Youth Request-For-Proposal (RFP) Review Committee Meeting

April 13, 2017

8:30 A.M.

Champaign Illinois workNet™ Center
1307 North Mattis Avenue
Champaign, IL 61821

Committee Members:

Angele Thibodeaux Burns, WIB/Youth
Gwen DuPree-Pryor, WIB/Youth
Nate McBride, WIB
James McNeely, WIB

Lauren Schmid, WIB
C. Pius Weibel, Chief Elected Official
Lisa Knight, Youth Case Manager

Staff: Toriana Rhone, Linda McCoy

Minutes

I. Elect Committee Chairperson and Call to Order

Ms. Rhone asked for a volunteer to serve as committee chair. Mr. Weibel volunteered and was unanimously accepted. Mr. Weibel called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

II. Welcome and Introductions

Mr. Weibel asked members to go around the table and introduce themselves.

III. Explanation of RFP Review Process

Ms. Rhone gave a brief explanation of the RFP review process, noting there are two committee members who are fairly new board members. She informed there are nine proposals to consider, six of which are returning providers and three are new applicants. She informed, each provider will give a short presentation followed by a question and answer period. She went over the scoring tool and explained its use. At 12:30 pm, the committee will break for lunch, then reconvene to hear the remaining three presentations. Upon completion, discussion and review of agency funding requests can begin. The committee will then make funding recommendations to be presented to the Workforce Innovation Board on May 16, 2018 for approval. Ms. DuPree Pryor reminded committee members to be sure to ask the new provider applicants what other sources of income they have, so their budget is not solely dependent on WIOA funds.

IV. Presentations of RFP Respondents

Presentations were made by representatives from the following organizations in approximately 20 minute increments, with an additional 10 minute question and answer period.

Cunningham Children's Home
Mary Garman, Vocational Options Program Director
Accompanied by: Cody Dicorato, CCH alumni

R.O.E. READY Program
Donna Kaufman, Director
Tamara Cowart, WIOA liaison
Accompanied by: Precious Harden and Kayendra Dixon, program participants

Principal Scholars (STEP) Program
Teresa Blanden, Director

Urbana Adult Education
Arlene Anderson, Director
Accompanied by: Daniel Myrick and Jamal Carter – students

Parkland College – Adult Education
Tawanna Nickens, Director
Christine Muehling, WIOA liaison
Accompanied by: Jacob Bernard, student

Urbana Neighborhood Connections Center
Janice Mitchell, Director
Sheronda Williams, WIOA liaison
Accompanied by: Taylin Martin, Malafa Miller and Karen Hernandez: current and former participants

Genuine Intelligent Respectful Ladies Soaring (GIRLS)
Neffisatu Dambo, Director

DREAAM
Tracy Dace, Founding Director

First Followers
Marlon Mitchell, Founding Director
Tammy Bond, peer mentor coordinator

V. Discussion and Recommendations

At 2:30 pm .the committee began discussions regarding the presentations and merits of each program. Evaluation sheets were completed and scores tallied. Urbana Adult Education and Parkland College were tied for the highest scores, followed by Cunningham Children's Home, READY, Principal Scholars (STEP) and Urbana Neighborhood Connections. The three new program applicants received the most scrutiny due to unknown performance, outcomes, and risk factors on which to base funding decisions. Discussion continued regarding the funding amount being requested, and the previous years' funding awards. Members agreed the "GIRLS" program did not meet the required elements for funding at this time.

After thorough consideration, the committee proposed the following funding recommendations:

*Please, see the attached chart

Mr. Weibel and committee members agreed to submit the funding allocations recommended to the Workforce Innovation Board for approval on May 16, 2018 and on to the Chief Elected Officials on May 17, 2018 for final approval.

VI. Adjournment

There being no further business before the committee, Mr. Weibel declared the meeting adjourned At 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Linda McCoy,
Recording Secretary

Agency Funding Requests and Recommendations 2018

Agency	In School	# Served	Out of school	# Served	Total Requested	Work Experience	Recommendation In School	Recommendation Out of School	Work Experience	Recommendation total	Last year reccomendations
Cunningham Children's Home	\$34,541.61	5	181,343.46	40	\$215,885.07	\$44,795.27	34,542	115,458	44,795	150,000	150,000
DREAAM Opportunity Center			63,493.70	10	\$63,493.70	\$29,793.70		30,000	6,000	30,000	
First Followers	\$15,104.60	2	60,418.40	8	\$75,523.00	\$47,025.00	5,000	20,000	5,000	25,000	
Genuine Intelligent Respectful Ladies Soaring	\$128,300.00	20			\$128,300.00		0	0	0	0	
Parkland GED			\$50,210	25	\$50,210.00	\$17,177		50,210	17,177	50,210	49,985
Principal Scholars	\$100,000.00	30			\$100,000.00		30,000			30,000	40,000
Ready	\$19,165	5	\$95,835	25	\$115,000.00	\$12,000	19,165	95,835	12,000	115,000	116,667
Urbana Adult Ed.			\$200,000	65	\$200,000.00	\$83,485		200,000	83,485	200,000	200,000
Urbana Neighborhood Connection	\$54,000	15			\$54,000.00		54,000			54,000	45,000
Totals	\$351,111.21	77	\$651,301	173	\$1,002,411.77	\$234,275.97	\$142,707	\$511,503	\$168,457	\$654,210	601,652

Percentages	In School	0.35	In School	0.22
	Out of school	0.65	out of school	0.78
	Work experience	0.23	Work Experience	0.26