Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:04 p.m.

Introductions and Announcements

Ms. Hendrix reported that one goal of County Youth Services is to provide youth worker training within the community. The first session is being held on January 30th at 1 p.m. in the Human Services Building Annex with the focus being on "what is Probation."

Ms. Mattick reported the NYATEP Youth Academy is being held February 23-25, 2015 in Saratoga Springs. The session looks very informative and she encouraged anyone who is able to attend. She noted NYATEP has a financial appeal out to help raise funds for youth to attend as well.

Resource Guide-Youth Employment

A meeting was held in December to look at New York Touchstones and economic security. Ms. Hendrix will distribute the information. The information obtained will assist in mapping youth programs.

Ms. Tabor and Ms. Bannister have also been discussing updating the previous resource guide and possibly using an intern to assist with the process. Ms. Gold suggested utilizing a subsidized youth to help.

Next steps will include Ms. Tabor, Ms. Bannister, and Ms. Bradac meeting to go over current materials. Ms. Tabor asked the group what they see as the most important categories so individuals can be referred appropriately. Fields will be kept separate for easier website population in the future. The group suggested focus on:

1. Schools Served
2. Geographic Areas Served
3. Means Tested
4. Age

WIOA Implementation Update

Ms. Mattick reported the regulations will not be out on January 18th as previously expected. USDOL has indicated they will not comply with that date and have announced the regulations will be available sometime in the spring. Workforce Investment Areas are expected to still meet the July 1, 2015 timeline for implementation so work is underway to move things forward based on what is known within the legislation. The WIA Youth RFP is expected to be released March 4, 2015.

Performance and Evaluation Committee Update

The Committee continues their work. The Summer Youth Employment Program Request for Proposals will be released in the next few days. At the last Workforce Investment Board meeting youth providers gave presentations on their programs and discussed the highlights and challenges they experienced. Based on those presentations, the Executive Committee discussed and removed the $1550 per participant rate from the proposal, but kept the minimum of 65% youth expenditure rate. That rate includes wage, fringe, bus passes, uniforms, etc. and will be defined in the RFP. The program will be reevaluated again following this summer.

WIB Director Report

Ms. Mattick did not have a report.
Industry Night

Discussion continues on the possibility of hosting another industry night. A meeting was held with TST BOCES Superintendent Jeff Matteson and Barry Derfel, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction and they were both very supportive about doing this project.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:27 p.m. The next Council meeting will be held February 10, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. at the One-Stop Center.