

## **AGENDA**

**CAREERSOURCE ESCAROSA  
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL  
MAY 7, 2014  
2:30 P.M.**

- I. Call for Public Comment
- II. Call Meeting to Order
- III. Approval of Minutes – January 8, 2014
- IV. Action Item:  
    Contract Renewals for FY 2014-2015
- V. Other Business
- VI. Adjournment

**WORKFORCE ESCAROSA, INC.  
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL  
JANUARY 8, 2014  
MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Robert Ephraim (Chair), Ronnie Rivera, Tarrah Holton, and Corey Flection

**Others Present:** Lisa Carden (for Phyllis Gonzalez), Bob Childers – Escambia County School District, Susie Lewis – Santa Rosa County School District, Phyllis Curl and Eunicia Givchici – Children’s Home Society, Nellie Mihas – Project Connect, Susan Nelms, Kathy Karshna, and Janay Sims – Workforce Escarosa, Inc.

Chairperson Robert Ephraim called the meeting to order at 2:40 p.m., at Workforce Escarosa’s administrative office.

**CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments were noted.

**MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 11, 2013**

The minutes were reviewed.

**Action Taken: Motion by Lisa Carden, and seconded by Corey Flection to approve the September 11, 2013 meeting minutes. Motion carried.**

**UPDATES/PRESENTATIONS**

Updates were given by representatives from the Escambia and Santa Rosa County School Districts and Children’s Home Society on their WIA Youth programs.

Susan Nelms noted the state’s reporting system, EFM, will expire, and a re-bid of the system is forthcoming. The system is expected to go live one year from this month.

Robert Ephraim informed all that his tenure as chair of the Youth Development Council (YDC) and a member of associate committee and Board will end January 2014, as he will be moving to Orlando, Florida. He expressed his experience and enjoyment in serving as chair of YDC and his desire to continue the work started here at his new destination in Orlando, Florida.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Janay Sims  
Recording Secretary

**WORKFORCE ESCAROSA  
YOUTH COUNCIL  
ACTION ITEM  
Contract Renewals FY 2014 -2015**

**Date:** May 7, 2014

**BOARD COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Vacant – Chair, Phyllis Gonzalez, Charlin Knight, Terry Light, Corey Flection, Tarrah Holton, Paul Willis, Al Huffman, Marcie Whitaker, Phyllis Wale, Ronald Rivera, and Jill Youngblood.

**ITEMS FOR ACTION**

For Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 – 2014 Escarosa saw a reduction in youth funding of \$338,802 (20.8%). This resulted in realigning two (2) employees' positions and reducing youth costs internal to Escarosa; in addition, youth contracts were reduced by 6%. For FY 2014 -2015, Escarosa has realized another reduction of \$176,065 (13.8%) due largely to sequestration at the federal (USDOL). Escarosa has reviewed internal costs and feels that no more reductions can be taken, so these reductions will have to be passed on to the contractor. To balance Escarosa's budget, the reductions to our Youth Contractors will be 16.6%. The reductions also allow for our contractors to reduce the number of participants to be served if needed. The funding levels and number of youth to be served are recommended as follows:

Contractor	FY 2013 - 2014	FY 2014- 2015	(Reduction)	Participant levels 2013- 2014	Participant Levels 2014 2015
Children's Home Society	\$548,328	\$457,854	(\$90,474)	175	140
Escambia Cnty School District	\$366,250	\$305,819	(\$60,431)	29	29
Santa Rosa Cnty School District	\$291,790	\$243,645	(\$48,145)	130	110

**RECOMMENDATION:**

To recommend to the Board of Directors the renewal of the above three contracts at the funding and participant levels indicated for FY 2014 – 2015.