

CTIC Meeting Notes
07/26/2019

Present: Amy Johnson, Brian Valentini, Julie Johnson, Kayla Collings, Vicki Waytashek, Lindsey Laudenbach, Sandra Haller, Jessica Othwaite, Amie Wetzels, Lorie Duevel, Cindy Pedersen, Jennifer Lecy, Terri Hess, Lori Olson, Emily Meinert, Lauren Kaduk

We started our meeting with introductions and updates on our various programs:

Amy Johnson (District 47 Bridges Transition Program)

Brian (SCSU) – Brian has secured several grants that can be utilized for the Taste of Transition meet and greet. He also created a team to help guide families who have students in transition.

Julie (Project Challenge) - There is a new class available through Great Theatre that is for students with disabilities. They are still looking for a few more actors.

Vicki (Benton County) – Angel is taking a new position, so caseloads will be shifting to accommodate.

Kayla (Goodwill) - many training programs running well

Lindsey (Foley) – The Foley transition program will be hosting a Halloween Party on October 31st. More information to follow.

Jessica (VRS) – There are new provisions within the WIOA laws that enable students to get a certification for subminimum wage without having to go through an on the job assessment.

Amy (Sherburne County)

Lorie (New Frontiers) – The New Frontiers program has expanded and are looking at the possibility of paid work crews. They are located above the Admissions desk at SCTCC.

Cindy (Benton-Stearns Coordinator)

Jen Lecy – The employment event was a huge hit. Great attendance and lots of good connections made.

Teri Hess – Teri represented ARC Midstate. They are changing their format to a more regional model. She shared that our CTIC has \$996.00 in our account.

Lori Olsen (District 742 Director) – Lori came from Anoka Hennepin and has a background in transition.

Emily Meinert (Tech High School)

Lauren Kaduk (Bridges) – Bridges has many work crews, and is having OS come once a week to teach students about job skills.

Taste of Transition Meet and Greet

Sub-committee: Brian (Chair)

Amy J

Lauren

Kayla

Lorie

Jen

We are looking to have the event in late February-early March. It will be less of a fair and more of a social event aimed at teachers. Brian will check to see if we can use the Ballroom at Atwood. We will still invite vendors to share, but will make the event more appealing to teachers who would come after school hours. scavenger hunts, drink tickets, door prizes and food are just some of the ideas that were discussed. The sub-committee will meet in the next few weeks to get things started.

Update CTIC Transition Guide

It's time to update the Transition Guide. St Cloud recently did theirs, and Jen is going to see if we can use it update ours. More information on this to follow.

Transition Tracker

Amy J was asking about good ways to create a transition tracker that teachers could use to keep track of transition activities for students. The finished product could then be given to students when they graduate. Lori will check for one that she knows about. Mary Hackey at CO2 also uses something. Sauk Rapids has one as well.

Our meeting schedule is as follows:

November 21st at the Workforce Center – 2:00

February 27th at SCSU – 2:00

April 23rd at Goodwill – 2:00