

**CMWIB Youth Council
Youth Resource Development Committee Meeting
44 Front Street, Suite 300
August 4, 2011**

Members Present: Susan Gately; Kristin Mayotte; Jesse Edwards

Staff Present: Robert Zukowski; Sean McGauley

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m.

2. Introductions

All members and staff introduced themselves.

3. Minutes of May 5, 2011

R Zukowski asked committee members to review the Minutes of the May 5, 2011 meeting.

4. Grant Opportunities

R. Zukowski directed the committee's attention to the "Foundation Resources" (see Handouts). It was noted that Wegman's is moving to the region and they have funded grants in the past with a focus on at-risk youth.

Action: R. Zukowski plans on meeting with the store manager once the store is open to see if they plan to fund similar grants in the Central MA area.

Also highlighted was the "Common Grants" where applicants fill out one application for 400 grants. A query is run based on applications which matches your application up with foundations and grants in your region.

5. Additional Membership

The committee discussed increasing the membership. R Zukowski pointed out that He has been reaching out to the CMWIB membership at meetings to invite others to attend the meetings. R. Zukowski asked the group if there was still a need for the committee meetings or if they could be replaced by periodic emails and announcements. The committee strongly feels there is a benefit in continuing to meet as many have applied for grants that were identified through the committee.

Action: R. Zukowski is going to put together a system to better track which organizations are applying/receiving grants identified through the committee.

6. Other Business

The committee then discussed the idea of creating a Foundation with the help of the Greater Worcester Community Foundation that the committee could use to reach out to employers for private funding, create and develop funding for projects, and take the lead on grant applications for 501(c)3, which the CMWIB does not currently fall under.

Action: R. Zukowski will reach out to the Greater Worcester Community Foundation to set up a meeting after Labor Day with himself, K. Mayotte, S. Gately and A. Lisi to discuss the feasibility of this project.

7. Future Meeting Schedule

a. October 6, 2011

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.