



## NWDB NextGen Committee Meeting Minutes

Nov 12, 2019

Albemarle Commission  
512 S. Church St. Hertford, NC

3:30 pm

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PASQUOTANK

PERQUIMANS

TYRRELL

WASHINGTON

COLUMBIA

CRESWELL

DUCK

EDENTON

ELIZABETH CITY

GATESVILLE

HERTFORD

KILL DEVIL HILLS

KITTY HAWK

MANTEO

NAGS HEAD

PLYMOUTH

ROPER

SOUTHERN SHORES

WINFALL

**Type of Meeting:** Regularly Scheduled Meeting

**Meeting Facilitator:** Wanda Fletcher, Committee Chair

**Members attending:** Wanda Fletcher, Keyoshia Liverman, Terri Gallop

**Members absent with notification:**

**Members absent without notification:**

**NWDB Staff:** Lora Aples, Janaye Clark

**Other Attendees:**

- I. **Call to order and welcome** – Meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Wanda Fletcher
- II. **Approval of Minutes: Sep Meeting 2019** –Wanda asked if there were any corrections or discussion needed for the September minutes. Keyoshia motioned to approve the minutes.
- III. **NextGen Mission Moment (Real World)** – Janaye provided a recap of the Real World 2019 event held at Camp Cale in Perquimans County on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. The event was a great success; 50 volunteers, 15 chaperones and 100 youth from Northeastern NC participated in the event. Nine schools and organizations were in attendance. All youth were engaged during the workshops and while navigating the Real World Booths. A Real World Follow-up meeting will be held at the Albemarle Commission on November 14<sup>th</sup> to discuss the successes and how to continue to improve the Real World.
- IV. **NEXTGEN Program Update** – There is a total of 82 participants in the program between active and follow-up. We need more enrollments.

There are 6 active work experiences. (5 in Pasquotank County: Elizabeth City Health and Rehabilitation, Hoffer Flow Controls, CBs Auto and Tire Service; 1 in Perquimans County: Laura's United Hair-Lines). Janaye is actively working on setting up additional work experiences.

V. **NEXTGEN Activities** – A Buying Your First Car Career Café is in work. This workshop will teach youth about budgeting, financing, and car maintenance. The Annual Youth Summit will take place in April 2020. We hope to take 10-15 youth to Cary, NC to participate in workshops to build leadership skills. They have the opportunity to participate in a talent show and network with other youth from North Carolina.

VI. **NextGen Performance & Expenditures** – The performance measures chart for PY 17 and PY18 for the goals set are the following: Employment Second Quarter after exiting the program (52%), Employment Fourth Quarter after exiting the program (50%), Credential, Measurable Skills Gains, and Median Earnings. We have met and exceeded our goals for Employment (71% and 74% respectively). We are at 94% of our goal for Credential. Overall the program is doing well and we are moving in an upward direction.

We are looking for help and guidance in promoting NextGen. We need to spend more funds through increased enrollments. Lora will be contacting College of the Albemarle to find out to speak with about people applying for classes that Financial Aid does not cover and people that stop attending because they need transportation or childcare assistance.

In addition to increasing work experiences, we are looking to expand On the Job Training Opportunities. Keyoshia stated that she has some participants that want to work and that qualify for an OJT opportunity. We will also reengage drop outs, contact Probation Offices and Social Services. Terri will tap into resources, such as speaking with Washington County Schools social worker, Dina Brown.

VII. **Mentorship Program Development** –The mentorship program is in the development stage and will need more ground work before moving forward.

VIII. **Other**-Terri mentioned conducting smaller Real World sessions within schools due to transportation arrangements being difficult for Title I Schools. There was discussion about contacting State Employee's

Credit Union to conduct their Reality of Money Event, which is similar to Real World without the workshop portion. Terri is a board member on SECU and will discuss this at the next meeting. With there being no other business to discuss, Wanda motioned to adjourn the meeting and Terri seconded. The meeting adjourned at 4:21p.m.

Next Meeting: January 14, 2020

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Chairperson, Wanda Fletcher

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Date