

SCOTT Transition Advisory Board
Minutes
August 16, 2007

Present:

Thom Gleich, Dav. North HS
Rich Toohill, Dav. West HS
Rick Sharp, Dav. Central HS
Barb Robinson-Lagarde, DHS
Michelle Wehr, Miss. Bend AEA
W.E. Hitchings, St. Ambrose Univ.
Paula Arends, EICCD/ACCESS

Jane Rock, Miss. Bend AEA
Wayne Morse, Bettendorf HS
Stefanie Brandes, Career Connections
Carol Aden, Miss. Bend AEA
Hershel Jackson, IL/IA Ctr Ind Living
Erik Rogers, Iow@Work
Elizabeth Cox, Iowa Workforce

Announcements:

- In 2009 St. Ambrose University will be phasing out their Graduate Special Education Program. SAU will be re-instituting their Post-Secondary Disability Services Program in January 2008, including Certificate and Masters degrees and this will be available on-line. Ambrose is also developing a Disabilities Studies & Policies Program, including Certificate and Masters degrees. Both face-to-face and on-line coursework will be offered in multiple Midwest states. Dr. Hitchings will be assisting with an evaluation within the SAU Disabilities Support Services Office, starting this fall.
- Job Coach Certification Training will be held Aug 21 & 22 in Eldridge. Contact Jane Rock or Michelle Wehr for information.
- October 8, 2007 will be College Night at St. Ambrose University and we will be offering a session directed at prospective college students with disabilities and their families. Over 100 colleges and universities are expected.
- October 17, 2007 is Disability Mentoring Day sponsored by IICIL at Moline Centre Station.
- Benefits Liaison Training will be held Sept 26 & 27 at the Kahl Education Center. This will include information on Social Security work incentives. Contact Elizabeth Cox for more information or to register.
- On September 25, 2007, a Consumer Workshop for persons with disabilities will be held. Location TBA. Elizabeth invited TAB agencies to set up information tables. This is sponsored by the Medicaid Infrastructure Grant.
- Elizabeth shared a brochure on resources for job seekers. She will add Goodwill Employment Services. Her Disability Navigator territory has been expanded to include the Burlington area. Iowa Workforce (statewide) has become an Employment Network for Ticket-to-Work recipients.

We reviewed the May Action Plan. TAB minutes were sent. Michelle received no additional input on the portfolio. TAB website updating is still underway. Hershel had contacted Rick Shannon, who is willing to attend a TAB meeting.

Committees met as follows: (1) Legislative Forum & governmental application forms assistance Committee (2) Career/Transition Portfolio Committee. Committee action steps are reflected below in Action Plan.

ACTION PLAN

Prepare, send out TAB minutes.	Jane Rock	By Aug 27
Send the transition/career development portfolio electronically to committee, for dissemination to teachers who will “pilot”.	Michelle	By Aug 31
Get input from teachers throughout the fall semester on the transition/career portfolio. How does it work in different settings? How much time does it take? Are students successful working on it independently? How can TAB further support it?	Thom – Dav North HS Wayne – Bett HS Rich – Dav West HS Stacie – N. Scott HS Michelle – W. Liberty, Durant Jane - PVHS	By December 2007
Get all pertinent forms and applications to review, in preparation to assist individuals in completing them, e.g. food stamps, waiver, SSI	Hershel, Elizabeth, Rick, Derek, Kylah, Charlotte, Barb, Julie, Carol, Katy	September 2007
Possible legislative forum and/or Transition Fair in October(?). Search for possible dates, locations. Consider format, transportation.	Hershel, Elizabeth, Rick, Derek, Kylah, Charlotte, Barb, Julie, Carol, Katy	By Fall 2007
Complete website update on Daily Living & Health. Email to Jane.	Katy Decker and Barb Robinson-Lagarde	ASAP
Contact Elizabeth Cox about completing website updates on Budgeting/Money Management and Legal/Financial ASAP.	Jane Rock	ASAP
Complete updates on TAB website welcome page and links. Submit ALL changes to AEA webmaster.	Jane Rock and Michelle Wehr	ASAP
Invite Rick Shannon and Mike Hoening to next TAB meeting to discuss how ID Action and/or SALYD could support a legislative forum with TAB.	Hershel	ASAP
Check into Eldridge & Fairmount Libraries for TAB meetings.	Rick – Eldridge Michelle - Fairmount	ASAP

NEXT MEETING:
Thursday, September 20, 2007
1:00-2:30 PM
Mississippi Bend AEA Learning Center

AGENDA

1. Introductions and Announcements
2. Review August Action Plan
3. Discussion with Mike Hoenig about SALYD* and legislative forum ideas
4. Action Planning
5. Schedule 2007 meeting locations
 - October 18
 - November 15
 - December 13 (Note date change)

*SALYD is Self-Advocacy and Leadership for Youth with Disabilities