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### October 28, 2014

### 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

### Hall County Schools

*711 Green Street*

*Gainesville, GA 30501*

# WBL/YAP Advisory Committee

* **Meeting called:** Holli Howard called to order the second meeting of the WBL/YAP Advisory Committee at 11:30 a.m. on January 27, 2015 at The Hall County Board of Education Central Office, 711 Green Street, Gainesville.
* **Members in attendance:**

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| Cree Aiken | Julie Brumble | Sheila Caldwell | Christy Carter | Lorraine Cronic |
| Laquita Dooley | Felecia Doyle | Kirsten Fowler | Beth Garrish | Sandra Simon Grindy |
| Linda Hammontree | Deana Harper | Tom Hesketh | Lee Highsmith | Holli Howard |
| Michael Klein | Dana Miller | Jeanne McGahee | Susan Rogers | Dallas Sage |
| Rhonda Samples | Scott Santmier | Chief Jerry Smith | Johnny Varner | Shenley Rountree |

* **Invitees not in attendance:**

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| Shelley Davis | Lauren Hodges | Jay Kelly | Jamila Leavell | Cindy Morley |
| Blaise Nicolette | Sandy Patel | Stacey Poole | Rose Procter | Monica Riden |
| Amy Smith |  |  |  |  |

* **Welcome and introduction:** Upon arrival, each member was welcomed, invited to pick up their lunch, and Holli Howard called the meeting to order. New members were recognized and introduced themselves.
* **Open business:**
  + Holli Howard thanked everyone for attending the meeting; then referenced the handout of the October 28, 2014 Meeting Minutes and asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Motion carried and minutes were approved.
  + Holli introduced the committee’s new Chairman, Mike Holman of Baldor Electric; then introduced the Chairman-Elect, Kirsten Fowler of Hall County Tax Commissioner’s Office. Holli explained that Mr. Holman would serve as Chairman through the end of the 2015-2016 school year.
  + Mike Holman introduced himself to the members and led the remainder of the agenda. At this time, he pointed out the WBL student articles attached to the agenda.
  + WBL Success Stories were shared by Johnson High School’s Corey Roberts and West Hall High School’s Torrie Odom.
  + Deana Harper, WBL Coordinator at North Hall, explained the different classifications of internships in the WBL/YAP Program, i.e., internship, apprenticeship. Deana also explained and showed examples of marketing items that our school based enterprises can produce.

## Minutes

* **Open business continued:**
  + Shenley Rountree, WBL Coordinator at West Hall, explained the Georgia Department of Labor’s *Georgia BEST Program* and how Hall County WBL Programs, CTAE courses, and middle schools are implementing the soft skills training into course curricula. Shenley also shared the criteria for successful completion of the training and the credential earned by the students meeting all criteria. Deana Harper emphasized that all WBL/YAP students participate in the soft skill lessons even though all do not earn the credential. Rhonda Samples shared the number of students in Hall County WBL/YAP program and numbers of students earning the Georgia Best credential.
  + Lee Highsmith of Junior Achievement shared the JA’s involvement with soft skills training through the BEE event hosted in the spring in conjunction with UNG.
  + Mr. Holman and Holli Howard asked members to consider *board involvement* by signing up to help with school career events, i.e., guest speakers, job shadows, CTSO judging, mock interviews, etc. Sign-up sheets with event descriptions and locations were available to members after the meeting adjourned.
  + Mr. Holman presented the next meeting date and asked that attendees bring a guest from a different industry than their own. He pointed out the industry vacancies on our members list and asked that those areas be considered.
* **Remarks and questions:** Johnny Varner gave all attendees an invitation to a Goodwill job fair.
* **Adjournment:** Holli Howard dismissed the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Cree Aiken

 Minutes approved: [5-4]

* **Meeting outcomes/Action items:** Contact information was provided on individual school event sign-up sheets to integrate board involvement into our WBL/CTAE programs on school campuses. Holli emailed all WBL coordinators a copy of the sign-up sheet for their particular school. 14 committee members assisted with mock interviews at JHS. Mike Holman was the guest presenter at GeorgiaBEST Elite Ceremony where 139 WBL students earned their GDOL Soft Skills credential. The WHMS Spartan Summit is on May 7th and a number of WBL committee members are guest speakers or they have assisted in securing guest speakers. A total of 39 professionals will participate in the event.



**Hall County WBL Coordinators**

Holli Howard, Chestatee High

Staci Crain, East Hall High

Christy Carter, Flowery Branch High

Felecia Doyle, Flowery Branch High

Cree Aiken, Johnson High

Karen Filchak, North Hall High

Deana Harper, North Hall High

Suzanne Haynes, North Hall High

Shenley Rountree, West Hall High