

Mercer County Workforce Development Board Committees

EXECUTIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE – In December 2017 The WDB Chair prescribed that the Executive Committee will absorb the responsibilities of the Oversight Committee thus combining them into one. This committee is responsible for providing leadership for the effective operation of the WDB. In its oversight role, the Committee reviews the services and activities carried out by the One Stop, primarily those administered with WIOA/WFNJ funding. These include ITA vendor performance for those entities that provide occupational training and overall workforce development performance.

Executive Oversight Members

Keith Secrest, Chair	President	Kinetics Industries, Inc.
James J. Purcell	Technical Director	NJ Asphalt Pavement Association
Mary Gay Abbott-Young	Executive Director	Rescue Mission of Trenton
Scott Clemmensen	Vice President, HR	Capital Health System
Margaret Gould	Assist. Dir. Community Ed	Mercer County Community College
Ayesha Krishnan-Hamilton	Attorney	Hamilton Law Firm
Scott Needham	President	Princeton Air, Inc.

Executive Oversight Committee Meeting Minutes

PY 2016	PY 2017	PY 2018
October 25, 2016 June 13, 2017	December 20, 2017 April 20, 2018	

ADVANCED MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE- seeks to identify career pathways, employer needs, and training gaps, and coordinates the provision of training in order to adequately prepare the workforce for future opportunities in this continuously growing field. It aims to debunk myths and stereotypes about manufacturing jobs by providing accurate information on this industry and its demand for jobs to schools (students/counselors), parents, and adult job seekers.

Advanced Manufacturing Committee Members

Scott Needham, Chair	President	Princeton Air Conditioning, Inc.
Anthony Carabelli, Jr.	Director	Mercer County Economic Development
John Hagemann	General Manager	Express Employment Professionals
Winston Maddox	Dean, Advanced Manufacturing	Mercer County Community College
Leah Pontani	Dean of Lifelong Learning	Mercer County Community College
Keith Secrest	President	Kinetics Industries, Inc.
J. Brandon Shaw	Dean Academic Affairs	Mercer County Community College
Mark Young		Hutchinson Industries
Jeffrey J. Smith	Manager of Workforce Development	PSE&G

Advanced Manufacturing Meeting Minutes

PY 2016	PY 2017	PY 2018
October 20, 2016 November 14, 2016 January 9, 2017 March 13, 2017	July 17, 2017 September 11, 2017 November 13, 2018 January 22, 2018	July 9, 2018 September 10, 2018 November 19, 2018

DISABILITIES COMMITTEE – seeks to gather information and coordinate the services available to the disabled population by connecting with the local office of the NJ Dept. of Vocational Rehabilitation and community agencies. The goal is to assist service providers to deliver the most comprehensive and updated information and services available.

Disabilities Committee Members

Scott Elliott, Chair	Chief Executive Officer	Progressive Center for Independent Living
Clara Bigos		Mercer Special Services School District
Kelly Borden		Mercer Special Services School District
Steve Cook	Executive Director	ARC Mercer
Karl Craft	Career Development Director	Advancing Opportunities
Nantanee Koppstein	MCTS Advisory Committee	Parent Advocate
Mary Smith Jones	Principal	Mercer County Technical School
Pamela Mazzucca	Systems Analyst	Mercer County Office for the Disabled
Raj Venkatraman	Manager	NJ DOLWD DVR – Mercer One Stop
Cheryl Casciano	Business Consultant	NJ DOLWD DVR - Mercer One Stop

Disabilities Committee Meeting Minutes

PY 2016	PY 2017	PY 2018
October 17, 2016	September 21, 2017	June 29, 2018
November 4, 2016	October 12, 2017	August 9, 2018
December 15, 2016	February 8, 2018	October 11, 2019
February 23, 2017	June 29, 2018	
April 27, 2017		

HEALTH CARE COMMITTEE – seeks to identify career pathways, employer needs and training gaps, and coordinate the provision of needed training in order to adequately prepare the workforce for future opportunities in this fast and continuously growing field.

Health Care Committee Members

Scott Clemmensen	Vice President HR	Capital Health Systems
Jasmin Acevedo	Administrator Human Resources	St. Lawrence Rehabilitation Center
Kathy Fiery	Director Assisted Living	NJ Healthcare Association of NJ
Gloria Frederick	Owner	Inst Wonderful Women Working for Empowerment
Sandy Gaudreau	Manager of HR - Employment	Capital Health Systems
Annette Murphy		Springpoint Senior Living
Hillary Murray	Health Services	Brandywine Senior Living
TBD	Principal	MCTS – Health Occupations Center
Leah Pontani	Dean Lifelong Learning	Mercer County Community College
Jennifer Ennis	Human Resources	Care One
Krithicka Raghunathan	Director	Health Care Talent Network

Health Care Committee Meeting Minutes

PY 2016	PY 2017	PY 2018
November 15, 2016	September 19, 2017	July 18, 2018
January 17, 2017	November 21, 2017	September 19, 2018
March 21, 2017	January 24, 2018	
May 16, 2017	May 23, 2018	

LITERACY COMMITTEE – collaborates with literacy service providers to ensure individuals receive the appropriate instruction to assist them in obtaining their High School Equivalency (HSE formerly GED), to learn and improve their English language proficiency, upgrade educational levels necessary for occupational training, and acquire citizenship skills.

Literacy Committee Members

Margaret Gould, Chair	Director Community Education	Mercer County Community College
Nancy Thomson	Executive Director	Child Care Connection
TBD		Trenton Literacy Group
TBD		Mercer County Library System
Jane Shuster	Director Behavioral Health Operations	Rescue Mission of Trenton
Lynne Wise	WorkFirst Director	HomeFront, Inc.

* In process of recruiting additional members

Literacy Committee Meeting Minutes

PY 2016	PY 2017	PY 2018
July 20, 2016	March 15, 2018	
October 19, 2016		
November 16, 2016		
February 15, 2017		
March 22, 2017		
April 19, 2017		
May 17, 2017		
June 21, 2017		

YOUTH INVESTMENT COUNCIL – The YIC reviews and makes suggestions for services and activities provided to the 16-24 youth population with the skills and opportunities for improving their educational and employment future.

Youth Investment Council Members

Paul Perkins, Chair	General Manager	East Windsor Hilton
Bill Tootell	Administrator Talent Development	NJ Manufacturers Insurance Company
Kim McNear	Director	Anchor House
Greg Rapport	Parent Advocate	Aging Out Angels

* 2 member recently resigned and in process of recruiting new members

Youth Investment Council Meeting Minutes

PY 2016	PY 2017	PY 2018
October 24, 2016	August 8, 2017	
February 7, 2017	December 19, 2017	
April 11, 2017	February 6, 2018	
	June 5, 2018	

The committees meet bimonthly and are chaired by a business leader in the community. To inquire about joining a committee, please contact Virgen Velez (609) 989-6824 or vvelez@mercercounty.org