

# Burlington County Consortium Meeting

## Meeting Minutes

October 27, 2021

### **Next Meeting:**

November 2021

Present: Anthony Phillips, Lori Niles, Rebecca Powers, Valerie Hawkins, Jodi Glenn, Christina Jackson

Anthony Phillips welcomed all to the monthly meeting. We have a few items on scheduled. All reports have been submitted to everybody. I want to thank everybody on helping on activity reports and the COVID-19 report submitted.

Anthony Phillips informed the group that the Director's Roundtable meeting is scheduled for November 9, 2021 from 10 am-12 pm. It is virtual. We need to prepare for that and we will receive the report cards.

Dr. *J. Barry* want to hear about impact of last year. How did COVID-19 affected things? Everyone should give it some thought. Also, what happened at our agencies that would benefit our consortium as a whole? How the NJ DOL could help us with professional development? Please forward information for November please say something if you did not.

Budget modifications on our grant. I would like to get the information to me and Laura and Lindsey. Prepare statement to say what you would like to do by December 1st a week before finance gets to work on it. In two weeks I would like information about Professional Development. We can began to put together something we want to do to be better at our jobs.

No special guests this month.

Anthony Phillips introduced Lori Niles with Title II Report.

### **Title II Grant Update**

Lori Niles gave her Title II report.

Anthony Phillips then transitioned to individual reports from each agency.

### **Bordentown**

Jodi Glenn informed the group that Bordentown has been preparing for the HI-SET test. They turned in a Purchase Order for Hi-Set and it is moving in the right direction.

### **Literacy**

Rebecca Powers reported that citizenship classes are in the works for October. Eight people enrolled.

Three people are enrolled for the IET program for Word and Excel. They have been having tutoring sessions that are going well. They have 9 new tutors.

### **Willingboro**

Christina Jackson reported that their classes are doing well.

### **RCBC**

Valerie Hawkins informed the group that things are moving forward and looking forward to a great year. The classes are being held 4 days a week with classroom instruction. It is a big difference in person than virtually. We are working to assist students who can only work virtually. In the next enrollment period there will be a requirement for the students to attend 4 days in person.

That was the end of the agency reports.

Anthony Phillips then informed the group that the TASC test will no longer be given but that HiSet will be the test given for high school equivalency.. So the agencies need to be ready by January 1, 2023 to give the test.. That is all that he had to share with the group. He informed them to please reach out if they have any questions. Also, he will set up a meeting about professional development and next steps to institute new testing arrangement.

Meeting was open for discussion. There were no further comments

Meeting adjourned.