



2023 TIS Speaker & Keynote Committee Meeting Notes **September 19, 2022 3:00 PM**

Via Teams

Event Date, Time and Location: Wednesday, April 26, 2023, 9:00 AM – 1:30 PM
Turnbull Conference Center

Committee Members Present: Khari Harrison (chair), Dolores King (co-chair), Trish Yahn, Carrine Aneto

Board Members: Terrence Watts, Erin Gillespie

- **Welcome/Attendance** – Khari welcomed everyone, and Dolores took attendance.
 - Carrine introduced herself to the committee, this is her first time in attendance to this committee
 - Erin introduced herself to the team

- **Previous meeting Recap** –
 - Terrence was going to reach out to Abigail Phelps regarding employers who hire youth.
 - Terrence stated that Abigail did not have any connections to fit our need
 - Khari was going to reach out to Kaci Dennis with the Boys and Girls Club
 - Met with Kaci Dennis but he does not hire or employ youth
 - Trish was going to reach out to Antoine Wright
 - Trish did not reach out to Antoine; she will reach out to him soon.

- **Committee Goals**
 - Identify two speakers (National and local speakers), and four panelists
 - During the last meeting we identified a keynote speaker that we were able to obtain. We are currently awaiting a signed contract from the speaker.

- **Event Theme**
 - **Untapped talent**
 - We want employers who are speaking from the business perspective and not for the fuzzy feel-good feeling.

- **Budget**
 - The budget for the event is \$5,000. The keynote speaker Jeffrey Korzenik has a “normal” cost of \$8,000 for speaking engagements. Jeffrey has agreed to speak at the TIS event for \$2,500. We are currently awaiting the signed contract.

- **9/19/22 Meeting Notes**
 - The Focus of this meeting is to identify the second keynote speaker and potential candidates for the panel. * Identifying an MC is not the responsibility of this committee.
 - “What are the benefits and advantages of hiring youth?”
 - All four panelist will be local
 - Publix may be a difficult employer to connect with due to the red tape, we have tried to work with them in the past with no success.
 - Terrence introduced the idea of Royal King with the Council on The Status of Men and Boys and the Omega Lamplighters as a potential keynote speaker.
 - Khari may speak with Damon Rich to determine if he is a key fit for the second keynote speaker.

- **Meeting Frequency & Occurrence**
 - The committee will meet monthly at least until October. If a second keynote speaker has not been identified by the October meeting, the committee will need to meet twice monthly until the second keynote has been secured.

- **Action Items**
 - Trish will reach out to Antoine Wright
 - Khari – will reach out to Damon Rich
 - Erin – Will review her contacts from the CPM graduation
 - Patrick Gillespie - Deputy Secretary, Florida DMS
 - Cecka Rose Green - Executive Director, Children’s Services Council of Leon County,
 - Steve Harrelson - Assistant Sherriff, Leon County Sheriff’s Office
 - Brian Smatt - HR Administrator, City of Tallahassee Human Resources & Workforce Development
 - Nikki Darling - Director of Strategic Initiatives, Florida Department of Children & Families
 - Dolores - will speak with Erin about potential CPM graduation speakers that may fit the role of panelist.

- **Other Items** – None at this time

- **Adjourn** - the 9/19/22 meeting adjourned at 3:43 p.m. Khari will schedule the next meeting for October 2022.