

**SAGINAW MIDLAND BAY
JOB TRAINING CONSORTIUM BOARD
JANUARY 29, 2007**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Rose Marie McQuaid
Raymond Bartels
Thomas Basil
Richard Byrne
Ann Doyle
Eddie Foxx
James Graham
Eugene Gwizdala
Ernie Krygier
Carl Ruth
Howard Schoenherr
Robert Woods

MEMBERS ABSENT

Thomas Hickner

GUESTS

Carol Dwan, Bangor Twp Schools
Brent Gilbert, Employment Service
Olga Pilar, SVRC Industries
Bill Lamere, SVRC

MWA Staff

Ed Oberski
Pat Washburn
Ray Ogden
Ken Kurecka
Rose Onan

ITEM #1 CALL TO ORDER

Rose Marie McQuaid, Chairperson, Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! Consortium Board, called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm. The meeting was held at the Bay County Michigan Works! Service Center, Eugene Gwizdala Room, 4061 No. Euclid Avenue, Bay City, Michigan.

ITEM #2 ROLL CALL

The above members were present.

ITEM #3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Richard Byrne moved, supported by: Raymond Bartels.

To approve the agenda.

Motion passed by voice vote.

ITEM #4 CORRECTING AND APPROVING THE MINUTES

Eugene Gwizdala moved, supported by Raymond Bartels:

That the November 13, 2006 minutes of the Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! Consortium Board be approved.

Motion passed by voice vote.

ITEM #5 AUDIENCE FOR THE PUBLIC

The audience introduced themselves. There were no public comments.

ITEM #6 INTRODUCTIONS

There were no introductions.

ITEM #7 COMMUNICATIONS

A. September 2006 Workforce Development Board meeting minutes

The Board reviewed the September 2006 Workforce Development Board minutes.

B. December 8, 2006 Workforce Development Board Executive Committee minutes

The Board reviewed the December 2006 Workforce Development Board Executive Committee minutes.

C. DLEG Labor Market Information Report for November 2006

The Board reviewed the DLEG Labor Market Information Report for November 2006.

Eugene Gwizdala moved, supported by Richard Byrne:

To receive and file Items 7-A, 7-B and 7-C.

Motion carried by voice vote.

ITEM #8: REPORTS

A. Fiscal Report

The Board reviewed the December, 2006 fiscal reports.

B. Program Reports

1. General Program

The Board reviewed the monthly WIA, Employment Service, and Work First performance reports.

2. Friend of the Court referral program

The Board reviewed the monthly Friend of the Court reports.

Eugene Gwizdala moved, supported by Carl Ruth:

To receive and file the Fiscal, General Program and FOC Reports.

Motion carried by voice vote.

D. Director's Report

Regarding the new Saginaw Downtown Service Center, planned to be located on the first floor of the Jacobson's building: MWA staff, the local Michigan Rehabilitation Services (MRS) office and Pumford Construction are coordinating efforts on new specifications as required by the Michigan Department of Management and Budget (DMB) for MRS staff.

It was reported that four Consortium Board members along with Ed Oberski attended the National Association of Workforce Boards recently held in St. Petersburg, Florida.

It was reported that NBC TV 25 news will be doing stories on Michigan Works in the Saginaw Midland Bay area, as well as Genesee, Shiawassee and the Thumb. The Saginaw Midland Bay story will run during the 6:00 pm and 11:00 pm news slots some time the first week of February.

According to feed received from local employers and local Economic Development Agencies, that the Incumbent Worker training program is highly appreciated. Under our new approach of working directly with employers, Michigan Works! has been able to increase the number of employers served and increase the variety of training options available to those employers.

The Advanced Manufacturing Regional Skills Alliance (RSA) is creating career ladders which are designed to educate students and job seekers on advancements opportunities. In addition, Michigan Works! and other RSA partners are about to commence an outreach effort to attract skilled and experienced manufacturing workers to meet the need in the Tri-Counties. An RFP for Advanced Manufacturing consulting services will be released in February.

It was suggested that an orientation session be held at an upcoming meeting to update members on the various service centers, programs, etc.

ITEM#9 OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

ITEM #10 NEW BUSINESS

A. STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE AND FILE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD (WDB) ACTION TO APPROVE VARIOUS PLANS

1. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PLAN

It was reported that the Workforce Development Board approved the Department of Human Services Plan; allocation of \$591,541 for the time period October 1, 2006 through August 31, 2007.

2. WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT INCENTIVE GRANT PLAN

It was reported that that the Workforce Development Board approved the MDLEG allocation if \$40,569 for the time period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

Eugene Gwizdala moved; supported by Eddie Foxx:

To receive and file Items: 10-A-1 and 10-A-2.

Motion carried by voice vote.

B. STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE AND FILE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD (WDB) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION REGARDING A CONTRACT FOR ADDITIONAL CAREER LADDERS

It was reported that the Workforce Development Board Executive Committee authorized Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! to negotiate and contract with Saginaw County Business Education Partnership in an amount not to exceed \$90,390 for the development of Career Ladders.

Eugene Gwizdala; supported by James Graham:

To receive and file the action taken by the Executive Committee of the Workforce Development Board.

Motion carried by voice vote.

C. STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE AND FILE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD (WDB) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION REGARDING PROCUREMENT OF A BUSINESS SERVICES TEAM MANAGER

The Board reviewed the January 9, 2007 WDB Executive Committee action regarding procurement of a business services team manager. The Executive Committee determined that the plan for staffing the Business Services Team approved by the Executive Committee on December 28, 2005 shall remain in effect. In order to select the Business Service Team Manager called for by the December 28, 2005 plan, Michigan Works! administration shall solicit interest from the Business Service Team members. A selection committee of Workforce Development Board Executive Committee members shall review interested team members' qualifications, conduct an interview process, and recommend the Business Service Team member to be selected as the manager. The selection committee may also recommend that none of the interested Business Service Team members should be selected as the team manager. If a current Business Service Team member is selected as the team manager, the service provider contractor shall continue to employ the manager; shall afford him or her all of the independence called for by the Business Service Team plan approved by the Executive Committee on December 28, 2005; and shall pay the team manager the salary required by Michigan Works! administration. The team manager shall work directly with and be responsible to Michigan Works! administration as called for by the December 28, 2005 plan.

Eugene Gwizdala moved, supported by Richard Byrne:

To receive and file the action taken by the Executive Committee of the Workforce Development Board.

Motion carried by voice vote.

D. STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO ESTABLISH MEETING CALENDAR THROUGH JANUARY 2008

Eugene Gwizdala moved, supported by Carl Ruth:

To approve the following 2007 Consortium Board Meeting Calendar:

Monday, February 26, 2007, 3:30pm in Saginaw County
Monday, March 26, 2007, 3:30pm in Midland County
Monday, April 23, 2007, 3:30pm in Bay County
Monday, May 21, 2007, 3:30pm in Saginaw County
Monday, June 25, 2007, 3:30pm in Midland County

No July Meeting

Monday, August 27, 2007, 3:30pm in Bay County
Monday, September 24, 2007, 3:30pm in Saginaw County

Annual Dinner Meeting: Monday, October 8, 2007, location TBD

Monday, November 12, 2007, 3:30pm in Midland County

No December Meeting

Monday, January 28, 2008, 3:30pm in Bay County

E. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON

Tom Basil moved, supported by Howard Schoenherr:

To nominate Rose Marie McQuaid as Chairperson.

No other nominations were received from the floor.

Through voice vote the Board elected Rose Marie McQuaid as Chairperson by unanimous acclamation.

Carl Ruth moved, supported by Tom Basil:

To nominate Eugene Gwizdala as Vice-Chairman.

Through voice vote the Board elected Eugene Gwizdala as Vice-Chairman by unanimous acclamation.

ITEM #11 ADJOURNMENT

Ann Doyle moved, supported by Ernie Krygier:

To adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Motion carried by voice vote.