

**SAGINAW MIDLAND BAY MICHIGAN WORKS!
CONSORTIUM BOARD
JANUARY 28, 2008**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Rose Marie McQuaid
Raymond Bartels
Thomas Basil
Richard Byrne
Eddie Foxx
James Graham

MEMBERS PRESENT

Eugene Gwizdala
Carl Ruth
Howard Schoenherr
Robert Woods, Jr.
Patrick Wurtzel

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ernie Krygier

MWA STAFF

Ed Oberski
Ken Kurecka
Rose Onan
Ray Ogden
Jeff Jankens

GUESTS

Melinda Shriner, The Barckholtz Group
Bill Lamere, SVRC
Lynda Keyser, Arnold Center
Lynette Collins, Delta Corporate Services
Grace Burger, Bangor Township Schools
Carol Dwan, Bangor Township Schools

ITEM #1: CALL TO ORDER

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

ITEM #2: ROLL CALL

The above members were present.

ITEM #3: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Item #7: Election of Officers was added to the agenda.

Eugene Gwizdala moved, supported by Howard Schoenherr:

To approve the agenda.

Motion passed by voice vote.

ITEM #4: CORRECTING AND APPROVING THE MINUTES

James Graham moved; supported by Eugene Gwizdala:

To approve the Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! Consortium Board minutes dated November 26, 2007.

Motion passed by voice vote.

ITEM #5: AUDIENCE FOR THE PUBLIC

The audience introduced themselves. There was no public comment.

ITEM #6: INTRODUCTIONS

Saginaw Commissioner Patrick Wurtzel was welcomed back to the Consortium Board.

It was noted that Carol Dwan, Work First Program Supervisor, Bangor Township Schools, will retire on January 31, 2008.

ITEM #7: [new item]: ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN

Eugene Gwizdala moved, supported by Raymond Bartels:

To nominate Rose Marie McQuaid as Chairperson.

Nominations were asked for three times from the floor. No other nominations were received.

Robert Woods, Jr., moved, supported by Eugene Gwizdala:

To close nominations and elect Rose Marie McQuaid as Chairperson of the Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! Consortium Board by unanimous acclamation.

Motion passed by voice vote.

Raymond Bartels moved, supported by Howard Schoenherr:

To nominate Eugene Gwizdala as Vice-Chairperson.

Nominations were asked for three times from the floor. No other nominations were received,

Tom Basil moved, supported by Richard Byrne:

To close nominations and elect Eugene Gwizdala, as Vice-Chairman of the Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! Consortium Board by unanimous acclamation.

Motion passed by voice vote.

ITEM #8: [listed as #7 on the agenda package] PRESENTATION

- A. Marketing Update by Melinda Shriner, the Barckholtz Group
Melinda Shriner, the Barckholtz Group, gave a presentation on marketing efforts.

ITEM#9: [listed as #8 on the agenda package] COMMUNICATIONS

- A. November 6, 2007 Workforce Development Board meeting minutes
The Board reviewed the November 6, 2007 Workforce Development Board minutes.

- B. DLEG Labor Market Information Report for October, 2007
The Board reviewed the DLEG Labor Market Information Report for October, 2007.

Eugene Gwizdala moved, supported by Raymond Bartels:

To receive and file Items 9-A and 9-B.

Motion carried by voice vote.

ITEM#10: [listed as #9 on the agenda package] REPORTS

- A. Fiscal Report
The Board reviewed the November 2007 fiscal reports.

- B. Program Report
 - 1. General Program
The Board reviewed the monthly Work First, Employment Service, and WIA performance reports.

 - 2. Friend of the Court Referral Program
The Board reviewed the monthly Friend of The Court reports.

- C. Director's Report

Director Oberski reported on the National Workforce Association Conference that he attended along with Consortium Board members Eddie Foxx, Carl Ruth, James Graham, and Tom Hickner, and WDB Chairperson Ed Dornseifer. He mentioned how disheartening it was to learn about the various forces in Washington that have resulted in cuts to funding. Preliminary figures show the rescission to this current year Workforce Investment Act funding could potentially reduce Michigan's Workforce Investment Act allocation by \$5,100,000. The State has estimated that, worst case scenario, this could result in a reduction to our July 07- June 08 operating budget by as much as \$200,000.00. The Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth is attempting to re-pay as much of the rescission as possible in an effort to minimize the impact on local programming.

Also reported was an upcoming meeting with the County DHS Directors, Consortium Board Member Ray Bartels, and WDB Chairperson Ed Dornseifer to discuss issues raised by Midland County DHS Director Mark Stevens.

Ray Ogden, MWA Finance Manager, will be handling the February meeting as Director Oberski and Ken Kurecka, Assistant Director will be attending the National Association of Workforce Development Board conference in Washington D. C.

Eugene Gwizdala moved, supported by Eddie Foxx:

To receive and file items 10-A, 10-B-1, 10-B-2 and 10-C.

Motion carried by voice vote.

ITEM#11: [listed as #10 on the agenda package] ACTION ITEMS:

A. STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE AND REVIEW WDB ACTION TO SELECT SUCCESSFUL BIDDER(S) FOR MICHIGAN PRISONER RE-ENTRY INITIATIVE (MPRI) WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, LIFE SKILLS TRAINING AND CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES CONTRACTORS

The Board reviewed WDB action which selected a successful bidder for the Michigan Prisoner Re-Entry Initiative (MPRI) Workforce Development, Life Skills Training and Case Management Services Contractors.

The MWA was granted authority to negotiate and contract with List Psychological Services for MPRI Workforce Development, Life Skills, and Case Management Services in Saginaw, Bay, and Midland Counties contingent upon:

- The bidder's ability to provide services as required by the MPRI steering team and Co-Chairs.
- Determination that the proposed locations are adequate.
- Agreement on a final contract and budget.

If all contingencies are not satisfied, Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! may negotiate and contract with the next highest scoring bidders subject to the same contingencies:

- Saginaw County: SVRC
- Bay County: Arnold Center
- Midland County: Arnold Center

B. STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE AND REVIEW WDB APPROVAL OF PROCUREMENT OF PRINTING VENDOR

The Board reviewed WDB action that selected QRP as the printing vendor for all printing needs.

C. STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOR CONSORTIUM BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

The Board reviewed the Consortium Board meeting schedule for 2008 as follows:

**2008
CONSORTIUM BOARD MEETING CALENDAR**

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Monday	February 25, 2008	3:30 pm	Saginaw
Monday	March 24, 2008	3:30 pm	Midland
Monday	April 28, 2008	3:30 pm	Bay
Monday	May 19, 2008	3:30 pm	Saginaw
Monday	June 23, 2008	3:30 pm	Midland
No July Meeting			
Monday	August 25, 2008	3:30 pm	Bay
Monday	September 22, 2008	3:30 pm	Saginaw
Tuesday	October 7, 2008	TBA	TBA
Annual Meeting			
Monday	November 17, 2008	3:30 pm	Midland
No December Meeting			
Monday	January 26, 2009	3:30 pm	Bay

Raymond Bartels moved, supported by Richard Byrne:

To approve the Consortium Board meeting schedule for 2008.

Motion carried by voice vote.

D. STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE AND REVIEW WDB APPROVAL OF VARIOUS PLAN SUMMARIES

The Board reviewed the following plan summaries: No Worker Left Behind (NWLB) planning allocation of \$193,440 for July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008; Road Construction Apprenticeship Readiness (RCAR) Program planning allocation of \$375,000 for December 18, 2007 through June 30, 2008; JET –Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) planning allocation of \$452,183 for October 1, 2007 through August 31, 2008; and Michigan Works! System Plan for January 8, 2008 through December 31, 2008.

E. STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE AND REVIEW WDB APPROVAL TO AMEND THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET

The Board reviewed WDB action which approved moving \$11,200 from line item #70300 “Staff Wages/Holiday/Vacation” to line item #70600 “Permanent/Part Time Staff” in the Michigan Works! Administrative budget to fill the vacant part-time position in the fiscal department.

Raymond Bartels moved, supported by Eugene Gwizdala:

To receive and file Items 11-A, 11-B, 11-D, and 11-E.

Motion carried by voice vote.

F. STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOR A LETTER TO SENATOR STABENOW REGARDING TRADE ACT REAUTHORIZATION

The Board reviewed the draft letter to Senator Stabenow opposing language in the Trade Act Reauthorization that would require Trade Act services to be delivered by state employees.

Howard Schoenherr moved, supported by Eugene Gwizdala:

To approve sending a letter to Senator Stabenow and Senator Levin opposing the language in the Trade Act Reauthorization that would require Trade Act services to be delivered by state employees.

Motion carried by voice vote.

ITEM #12: ADJOURNMENT

Howard Schoenherr moved; supported by Eugene Gwizdala:

To adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 4:27 p.m.