

**SAGINAW MIDLAND BAY  
JOB TRAINING CONSORTIUM BOARD  
NOVEMBER 7, 2005**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Rose Marie McQuaid  
Raymond Bartels  
Robert Woods, Jr.  
Richard Byrne  
Kim Coonan  
Eugene Gwizdala  
Tim Novak  
Carl Ruth

**STAFF**

Ed Oberski  
Rose Onan  
Ray Ogden

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Tom Basil  
James Graham  
Thomas Hickner  
Terry Sangster  
Howard Schoenherr

**GUESTS**

Jason Palmer, MDLEG  
Andrea Bridgewater, Arnold Center  
Lori Dalton, Delta Corporate

**ITEM #1      CALL TO ORDER**

Rose Marie McQuaid, Chairperson, Saginaw Midland Bay Job Training Consortium Board, called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. The meeting was held at the Midland County Michigan Works! Service Center, McQuaid Room, 1409 Washington, Midland, Michigan.

**ITEM #2      ROLL CALL**

The above members were present.

**ITEM #3      APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion by Carl Ruth; supported by Eugene Gwizdala;**

To approve the agenda.

**Motion passed by voice vote.**

**ITEM #4      CORRECTING AND APPROVING THE MINUTES**

**Motion by Eugene Gwizdala; supported by Carl Ruth;**

To approve the August 22, 2005 minutes of the Saginaw Midland Bay Job Training Consortium Board as printed.

**Motion passed by voice vote.**

**ITEM #5 AUDIENCE FOR THE PUBLIC**

The audience introduced themselves. There was no public comments.

**ITEM #6 INTRODUCTIONS**

It was reported that Pat Washburn, Assistant Director, was attending a meeting in Lansing.

**ITEM #7 COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. DLEG Labor Market Information Report for September 2005**

The Board reviewed the DLEG Labor Market Information Report for September 2005.

**B. July 29, 2005 This Week at MEDC Article: “Midland, Grand Haven Celebrate Cool Cities Main Street Awards”**

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**C. August 12, 2005 Gongwer News Service Article: “Michigan Opportunity Partnership Places 6,000 Workers”**

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**D. August 18, 2005 Gongwer News Service Article: “Administration Forecasts net Job Loss for ‘05” and “July Unemployment Grows”**

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**E. Letter from the Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! Consortium Board to John Nagy congratulating him on his receipt of the Michigan Works! Association Private Sector Volunteer of the Year Award.**

The Board reviewed the letter from the Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! Consortium Board to John Nagy congratulating him on his receipt of the Michigan Works! Association Private Sector Volunteer of the Year Award.

**F. This Week @ MEDC October 7, 2005 Article: Granholm Announces Funding to Support Riverfront Development in Bay City**

The Board reviewed “This Week @ MEDC October 7, 2005 Article: Granholm Announces Funding to Support Riverfront Development in Bay City”.

**G. October 17, 2005 Employment & Training Reporter Article: Michigan Schools**

The Board reviewed the October 17, 2005 Employment & Training Reporter Article: "Michigan Schools".

**H. Annual Dinner Reminder: Monday, December 12, 2005; 3:30 p.m., SVSU**

The Board was reminded that the Annual Dinner will be held on Monday, December 12, 2005; 3:30 p.m., at SVSU Curtiss Hall, Banquet Room A & B.

**Motion by Eugene Gwizdala; supported by Robert Bartels:**

To receive and file agenda items 7-A through 7-H.

**Motion passed by voice vote.**

Kim Coonan expressed his concern regarding Medicaid cuts to the poor and health care reform.

**Motion by Kim Coonan; supported by Carl Ruth:**

That the Consortium Board send a letter to federal legislators opposing Medicaid cuts, and a second letter supporting health care reform.

**Motion passed by voice vote.**

**ITEM #8: REPORTS**

**A. Director's Report**

**1. Performance Reports**

The Board reviewed the monthly WIA, Employment Service, Work First performance reports and the State of Michigan WIA Annual Report

**2. Responses to Consortium Board member questions regarding:**

**i. Most important barriers to employment**

**ii. Our experience regarding numbers of individuals who obtain employment, but fail to keep it.**

The Board reviewed the responses from previously submitted questions regarding barriers to employment and individuals who obtain employment, but fail to keep it.

**3. New WDB officers**

The Board reviewed the New Workforce Development Board officers for 2005/2006. They are: Bruce Grant, Chairman; Ed Dornseifer, 1<sup>st</sup>-Vice-Chairman; Laura Hamilton, 2<sup>nd</sup>-Vice-Chairman; Jim Bates,

Treasurer; Amy Rodriguez, Assistant Treasurer; and Committee at Large members: John Nagy, Tim Quinn and Julie Carey.

**4. New WDB member**

It was reported that Tom Begin, Area Manager for Consumers Energy, is the newest WDB member, representing the private sector.

**5. Management Recommendation to WDB Executive Committee regarding 2006 Request for Proposals and program design**

The Board reviewed management recommendations to the WDB Executive Committee regarding 2006 Request for Proposals and program design.

It was reported that the WDB has not taken action on this item. Request for Proposals (RFP) will be issued in January or February, 2006.

**Motion by: Eugene Gwizdala; supported by Richard Byrne:**

To receive and file agenda items 8-A-1 through 8-A-5.

**Motion passed by voice vote.**

**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 REGARDING THE EDUCATIONAL ADVISORY GROUP (EAG) RECOMMENDATION FOR REVISIONS TO THE WIA YOUTH PROGRAM**

The Board reviewed WDB action regarding the WIA Youth Program design.

**B. STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE AND FILE WDB ACTION REGARDING NEW MISSION STATEMENT AND VISION STATEMENT**

The Board reviewed WDB action in which the following Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! Mission Statement and Vision Statement were adopted.

Mission Statement:

Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! strengthens the local economy:

- By providing assistance to employers that reduces their time, effort, cost and uncertainty in hiring and retaining qualified employees:
- By increasing the skills and marketability of the local labor force to meet

- the needs of employers; and
- By coordinating with various partner agencies to maximize these services.

Statement of Vision:

Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! shall offer a user-friendly and cost efficient system that provides employers with assistance in the hiring process and in reducing turnover; that positively impacts the local labor market by providing jobseekers with barrier removal, necessary skills training, job readiness and retention training, and job search assistance; and in which key agencies will see great value in establishing partnerships.

One additional item was added: 8) Develop detail contingency plans in case of layoffs in area. It was reported that there had not been a previous Vision Statement.

**C. STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE AND FILE WDB ACTION REGARDING 2-YEAR STRATEGIC PLANNING GOALS**

The Board reviewed WDB action in which the bullet-point 2-Year Strategic Planning Goals and objectives were adopted.

**D. STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE AND FILE WDB ACTION REGARDING REQUEST TO PURSUE RSA PARTNERSHIP**

The Board reviewed WDB action which approved a partnership with the Thumb Area Michigan Works! for an advanced manufacturing Regional Skills Alliance. The Thumb Area Michigan Works! would act as convener.

**E. STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE AND FILE WDB ACTION REGARDING VARIOUS CONTRACTS:**

**1. HEALTHCARE CLINICAL CALENDAR SYSTEM**

The Board reviewed WDB action which approved a contract with the Spicer Group in an amount not to exceed \$28,500 contingent upon successful negotiations for a Healthcare Clinical Calendar System. If negotiations fail, the Board approved a contract with SVSU in an amount not to exceed \$30,000, contingent upon successful negotiations.

**2. FISCAL CONSULTANT**

The Board reviewed WDB action that approved a contract with the Michigan Works! Association for fiscal consulting services in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.

**3. SAGINAW FRIEND OF THE COURT**

The Board reviewed the Workforce Development Board action which approved the Saginaw County Friend of the Court NCP referral contract for October 1, 2005-September 30, 2006 in the amount of \$183,108,

contingent upon successful negotiations, adequate performance and performance reporting.

#### **4. BAY COUNTY FRIEND OF THE COURT**

The Board reviewed the Workforce Development Board action which approved the Bay County Friend of the Court NCP referral contract for October 1, 2005-September 30, 2006, in an amount not to exceed \$51,935.00, contingent upon successful negotiations, adequate performance and performance reporting.

#### **5. SAGINAW VALLEY REGIONAL 4C**

The Board reviewed Workforce Development Board action that approved the Saginaw Valley Regional 4C contract for October 1, 2005-September 30, 2006, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000, contingent upon successful negotiations.

### **F. STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE AND FILE WDB ACTION REGARDING VARIOUS STATE REQUIRED PLAN DOCUMENTS:**

#### **1. October 2005-September 2006 Work First Plan**

The Board reviewed WDB action approving submittal of the Work First Plan for October 1, 2005-September 30, 2006, in the amount of \$5,616,735, and authorized signatures on the related plan documents.

#### **2. July 2005-June 2006 – Proposal for Incumbent Worker Training Funds**

The Board reviewed WDB action approving issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Incumbent Worker Training funds for July 1, 2005-June 30, 2006, in the amount of \$114,096, and authorized signatures on related plan documents.

#### **3. October 2005-September 2006 – Food Assistance Employment & Training Program Plan**

The Board reviewed WDB action approving submittal of the Food Assistance Employment and Training Program Operations for October 1, 2005-September 30, 2006, in the amount of \$230,250, and authorized signatures on related plan documents.

#### **4. October 2005-September 2006 – Food Assistance Employment & Training Supportive Services Plan**

The Board reviewed WDB action which approved submittal of the Food Assistance Employment and Training Supportive Services Program for October 1, 2005-September 30, 2006, in the amount of \$5,017 and authorized signatures on related plan documents.

**Motion by: Eugene Gwizdala; supported by: Richard Byrne:**

To receive and file agenda items # 10-A through 10-D; 10-E-1 through 10-E-5 and 10-F-1 through 10-F-5.

**Motion carried by voice vote.**

**ITEM #11    ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by: Carl Ruth; supported by: Richard Byrne:**

To adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

**Motion carried by voice vote.**