

**SAGINAW MIDLAND BAY MICHIGAN WORKS!  
CONSORTIUM BOARD  
MAY 21, 2007**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Rose Marie McQuaid  
Raymond Bartels  
Thomas Basil  
Richard Byrne  
Ann Doyle  
Howard Schoenherr

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Eddie Foxx  
James Graham  
Eugene Gwizdala  
Ernie Krygier  
Carl Ruth  
Robert Woods, Jr.

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Thomas Hickner

**MWA STAFF**

Ed Oberski  
Pat Washburn  
Sharon Reed  
Rose Onan

**GUESTS**

Bill Lamere, BST/Michigan Works!  
Annette Gellise, Arnold Center  
Grace Burger, Bangor  
Lynette Colins, Delta Corporate Services

**ITEM #1: CALL TO ORDER**

Rose Marie McQuaid, Consortium Board Chairperson, called the Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! Consortium Board meeting to order at 3:31 p.m. The meeting was held at the Saginaw County Court House, Board Chambers, 111 So. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, Michigan.

**ITEM #2: ROLL CALL**

The above members were present.

**ITEM #3: APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Raymond Bartels moved; supported by: Tom Basil:**

To approve the agenda as submitted.

**Motion passed by voice vote.**

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

**Jim Graham moved; supported by: Ernie Krygier:**

To approve the Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! Consortium Board minutes dated April 23, 2007.

**Motion passed by voice vote.**

**ITEM #5: AUDIENCE FOR THE PUBLIC**

The audience introduced themselves. There was no public comment.

**ITEM #6: INTRODUCTIONS**

There were no introductions.

**ITEM#7: COMMUNICATIONS**

A. March 3, 2007 Workforce Development Board meeting minutes

It was reported that the March 2007 WDB minutes were inadvertently sent in place of the April 2007. The April and May 2007 WDB minutes will be sent in the June Consortium Board package.

B. DLEG Labor Market Information Report for March 2007

The Board reviewed the DLEG Labor Market Information Report for March 2007.

**Eugene Gwizdala moved, supported by: Ernie Krygier:**

To receive and file Items 7-A & 7-B.

**Motion carried by voice vote.**

**ITEM#8: REPORTS**

A. Fiscal Report

The Board reviewed the March 2007 fiscal reports.

B. Program Report

a. General Program

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

It was reported that under Employment Services, the number of job seekers who visit one stop center – self sufficient (MWA Last Year) currently at 42,215 should something closer to 12,215. It will be corrected next month.

b. Friend of the Court Referral Program

The Board reviewed the monthly Friend of The Court reports.

**Ernie Krygier moved, supported by: Eugene Gwizdala:**

To receive and file items 8-A & 8-B.

**Motion carried by voice vote.**

### C. Director's Report

The Director reported the NaCo Workforce Development/Human Services Conference will be held jointly with and be hosted by the National Workforce Association Conference in St. Petersburg, Florida on December 2-4, 2007. A reminder email will be sent. Those interested in attending should contact Ed Oberski as soon as possible.

All Michigan Works Service Centers will be closed June 20, 2007; 1-5 pm for staff to attend a team building training. The training will be held at the Tittabawassee Park in Freeland. Consortium and Workforce Development Board members are invited to attend.

Legislative Day will be held on June 20, 2007 in Lansing. If interested, contact Ed Oberski as soon as possible. The primary issue to be covered this year will be the Michigan Works! Association's support of the Governor's \$40 million "No Worker Left Behind" program.

It was reported that the State is cutting current year Work First funds by \$10 million statewide. The State is proposing to replace the \$10 million rescission with a combination of Workforce Investment Act funds and state general funds.

It was reported that for next year's statewide budget: Workforce Investment Act Dislocated Worker is up 17.5% and Workforce Investment Act Adult and Youth programs are both down about half a percent. The Governor's proposed budget has Work First/JET flat funded for next year.

It was reported that since Saginaw County is anticipating layoffs in October, 2008, it may be advisable to remove administrative staff from their current employment relationship with Saginaw County. The Director recommended a workgroup consisting of Consortium Board and Workforce Development Board members to review options.

It was reported that, Pumford Construction may be presenting the final cost and final detailed drawings for the Saginaw Downtown Michigan Works Service Center in the near future. It is anticipated that project details could be presented to the Consortium Board at the August meeting. Project completion would be 18 months from final approval by the Workforce Development Board.

**Eugene Gwizdala moved, supported by: Ann Doyle.**

To receive and file the Directors Report.

**Motion carried by voice vote.**

- D. PowerPoint presentation: Update on Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! Work First Investment Act Programs for Adults and Dislocated Workers, and Employment Service Programs.

Sharon Reed gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! Workforce Investment Act Programs for Adults and Dislocated Workers, and Employment Services.

Sharon Reed was thanked for her hard work in coordinating with WIA/ES staff in overseeing major changes in the Adult and Dislocated Worker program. .

**Eugene Gwizdala moved, supported by: Eddie Foxx:**

To receive and file.

**Motion carried by voice vote.**

**ITEM #9: ACTION ITEMS**

**A. STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE AND REVIEW WDB ACTION TO APPROVE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REORGANIZATION**

The Board reviewed the Workforce Development action that approved reorganization of the administrative office.

Changes include the name changes of three positions: Chief Executive Officer (Director), Chief Administrative Officer (Finance Manager) and Chief Operations Officer (Assistant Director), the upgrade of the Chief Administrative Officer and the addition on one staff person (Coordinator of Facilities/Inventory). The total administrative staff budget increase is estimated at approximately \$75,000.

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

To receive and file WDB action which authorized the reorganization of the administrative office.

**Motion carried by voice vote.**

**ITEM #10: ADJOURNMENT**

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

To adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

**Motion carried by voice vote.**