

**SAGINAW MIDLAND BAY MICHIGAN WORKS!
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
MINUTES – NOVEMBER 6, 2007**

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>	<u>MWA STAFF</u>
Ed Dornseifer	Gregory Skufca	Talmadge Battle	Ed Oberski
John Nagy	Bruce Grant	Kathy Czerwinski	Ken Kurecka
Mike Beyer	William Borch	Dave Herrala	Ray Ogden
Ruth Retlewski	Joseph Powe	Gary Shepherd	Rose Onan
Tom Begin	Robert O’Hara	John Hill	Darlene Kalahar
Jim Bates	Steve Jonas	Lillie Williams	
Amy Rodriguez	Odail Thorns	Yves Hamel	
Laura Hamilton	Dave Corcoran		
Tim Quinn	Bernell Wiggins		
Terry King			

GUESTS
Olga Pilar, Arnold Center
John Johnson, SVRC
Jason Palmer, MDLEG
Michael Shea, Arnold Center
George Wright, Arnold Center
Julie Malesky, Delphi

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Brent Gilbert, Delta Corporate
Bill Lamere, BST
Merry Beard, SVRC
Kristy Bushon, Saginaw FOC
Rick Burmeister, Midland DHS
David Scott, Midland DHS

ITEM #1: CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bruce Grant called the Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! Workforce Development Board meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. The meeting was held at the Midland Michigan Works! Service Center, McQuaid Room, 1409 Washington Ave., Midland, Michigan.

ITEM #2: ROLL CALL

The above members were present.

It was noted that Kathy Czerwinski has requested to be placed on medical leave from the Workforce Development Board for a period of three months.

ITEM #3: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

No changes were made to the agenda.

ITEM #4: AUDIENCE FOR THE PUBLIC

The audience introduced themselves. There was no public comment.

ITEM #5: CORRECTING AND APPROVING THE MINUTES

Motion by: Ed Dornseifer; Supported by: John Nagy:

That the Board approve the Saginaw Midland Bay Workforce Development Board minutes dated September 4, 2007.

Motion passed by voice vote.

ITEM #6: INTRODUCTIONS

There were no introductions.

ITEM #7: PRESENTATIONS

Julie Malesky, Delphi Corporation, gave a presentation on the Delphi H-1B project.

Director Oberski credited the following former and current Michigan Works! Administrative Staff for their role in the Delphi H-1B project: Dennis Brieske, Leslie Roth, Pat Washburn, and Darlene Kalahar.

ITEM #8: ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Staff recommendation to approve various plan summaries.

The Board reviewed staff recommendation to approve the following plan summaries: Trade Act Program fund increase of \$15,768 for program year October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008; No Worker Left Behind (NWLB) Employment Services fund increase of \$98,888; No Worker Left Behind (NWLB) planning allocation for an additional fund increase of \$583,645; and Comprehensive Five Year Local Plan for Adult, Dislocated Workers and Youth for program year July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008.

Motion by: Dave Corcoran; supported by: Robert O'Hara:

To approve the following plan summaries: Trade Act Program fund increase of \$15,768 for program year October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008; No Worker Left Behind (NWLB) Employment Services fund increase of \$98,888; No Worker Left Behind (NWLB) planning allocation for and additional fund increase of \$583,645; and Comprehensive Five Year Local Plan for Adult, Dislocated Workers and Youth for program year July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008.

Motion passed by voice vote.

ITEM #9: REPORTS:

- A. Chairman's Report:

Chairman Grant distributed information on WIA and TAA Reauthorization and requested that each member send this information to their local congressman.

- B. Fiscal Report:

The Board reviewed the Fiscal Reports for September 2007.

C. Performance Reports:

1. General Program Reports

The general program reports for August, 2007 were reviewed.

2. Friend of the Court Performance Reports

The FOC performance reports for September, 2007 were reviewed.

D. Directors Report

The MWA is waiting on the JET budget. The MWA has sufficient funding for program services through mid December.

Current federal Senate and House Committee Workforce Investment Act budgets include a rescission. The impact on our current budget is unknown at this time. It is estimated that, if passed, the rescission could result in as much as a \$400,000 reduction in current year Workforce Investment Act funds.

It was reported that Michigan Works! will be administering a pilot pre-apprenticeship program for road construction through the Michigan Department of Transportation. Board members will be kept informed.

The contract between Michigan Works! and the Michigan Department of Corrections for the Michigan Prisoner Reentry Initiative program is in process. Once signed, a request for proposals (RFP) will be issued for services in Saginaw, Midland and Bay Counties.

The Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! Work Readiness Certificate program is about to be initiated in a small pilot program.

Members of the Consortium Board have expressed their concern regarding the attendance of some WDB members at WDB meetings.

ITEM #10: ELECTION OF OFFICERS

John Nagy, Chairman, Nominating Committee, presented the 2007/2008 nominations:

Chair:	Ed Dornseifer (S)
1st Vice-Chair:	Laura Hamilton (B)
2nd Vice-Chair:	Terry King (M)
Treasurer:	Mike Beyer (S)
Asst. Treasurer:	Tim Quinn (B)
At-Large:	John Nagy (S)
At-Large:	Amy Rodriguez (B)
At-Large:	Bruce Grant (M)

Odail Thorns expressed the need for more diversity on the Executive Committee, and discussion ensued.

Chairman Grant requested other nominations from the floor three times. No other nominations were presented and the nominations were closed.

Motion by John Nagy; supported by: Jim Bates:

That the Saginaw Midland Bay Workforce Development Board 2007/2008 Slate of Officers presented by the Nominating Committee be approved.

Motion carried by voice vote. Odail Thorns voted no.

ITEM #11: COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Correspondence exchange between Director Ed Oberski and Midland DHS Director Mark Stevens

Bruce Grant stated that Ed Oberski would meet with Mr. Stevens, other DHS directors, Ed Dornseifer and a Consortium Board member to discuss issues and report back to the WDB.

- B. DLEG Labor Market Information Report for September 2007
The Board received the DLEG Labor Market Information Report for September 2007.

Bruce Grant thanked everyone and stated how much he appreciated MWA staff efforts.

ITEM # 11: ADJOURNMENT

Motion by: Tim Quinn; supported by: John Nagy:

That the meeting be adjourned.

Motion passed by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.