

**SAGINAW MIDLAND BAY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
JUNE 7, 2005**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ed Dornseifer
John Nagy
Ken Cichewicz
Talmadge Battle
Ruth Retlewski
Jim Bates
Laura Hamilton
Tim Quinn
Kathy Czerwinski
Terry King

Julie Carey
Bruce Grant
Gary Shepherd
Judy Barber
Clark Volz
Robert O'Hara
Daniel Streeter
Odail Thorns
Steve Jonas
Dave Corcoran
Bruce Griffith

MEMBERS ABSENT

Connie Kostrzewa
Mike Beyer
Amy Rodriquez
Gregory Skufca
Joseph Powe
Kathy Cholak-Jones

GUESTS

Andrea Bridgewater, Arnold Center
Olga Pilar, Arnold Center
Mike Shea, Arnold Center
Carol Dwan, Bangor Township Schools
Linda Caprathe, SVRC Industries, Inc.
Jason Palmer, DLEG
Lori Dalton, Delta Corporate Services
Melinda Shriner, The Barckholtz Group
Paul Petiprin, DHS
MaryAnn Rankey, Bay/Arenac DHS

STAFF

Ed Oberski
Pat Washburn
Ray Ogden
Rose Onan

ITEM #1 CALL TO ORDER

Tim Quinn, Chairman, called the Saginaw Midland Bay Workforce Development Board (WDB) meeting to order at 3:31 p.m. at the Midland Michigan Works! Service Center, McQuaid Room, 1409 Washington, Midland, Michigan.

ITEM #2 ROLL CALL

The above members were present.

ITEM #3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Employment Services and Re-employment Plan Summaries were added to Item #10-A of the agenda.

Motion by Ed Dornseifer; Support by Julie Carey:

To approve the agenda as amended.

Motion passed by voice vote.

ITEM #4 CORRECTING AND APPROVING THE MINUTES

Motion by Dave Corcoran; Support by Terry King:

That the Board approve the Saginaw Midland Bay Workforce Development Board minutes dated

May 3, 2005.

Motion passed by voice vote.

ITEM #5 AUDIENCE FOR THE PUBLIC

The audience introduced themselves.

ITEM #6 INTRODUCTIONS

There were no introductions.

ITEM #7 COMMUNICATIONS

A. DLEG Labor Market Information Report for April 2005

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

B. Summary of proposed federal legislation, Employee Free Choice Act

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C. Sample letters from Tim Quinn to federal and state legislators regarding Adult education and MEDC funding

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D. Letters of congratulations to the Dow Foundation and to Quality Air of Midland, Inc.

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E. USDOL Determination finding that Carrollton Sugar Plant workers are not eligible for Trade Adjustment Assistance

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F. Business or program related newspaper articles

The Board reviewed the newspaper articles regarding “Finding job, advancing is up to you”; “Aisles at Farmer Jack turn into a sad scene”; “Tax break brings factory to BV Township”; “A win for Wal-Mart”; “Regional Skills Alliance”; “MidMichigan given \$3.3 million for health care scholarships”; “Worker shortage feared”; “Nursing jobs there for the taking”; “Bay Future hires new leader to spur job growth in community”; and “Delta picks Illinois woman to head college”.

ITEM #8 REPORTS

A. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

1. Approach to Strategic Planning

The Board reviewed Chairman Tim Quinn's Approach to Strategic Planning report. Future Strategic Planning would include holding a two hour planning session prior to Workforce Development Board meetings in August, September, October and November. Planning sessions would be open to all members of the board, staff and the public. An action plan would be formulated and presented at the December meeting.

Discussion ensued.

Motion by Bruce Grant; Support by Jim Bates:

To approve the approach to Strategic Planning as presented.

Motion passed by voice vote.

B. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. Performance Reports

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

Linda Caprathe, of SVRC, addressed concerns about the falling Work First entered employment rate in Saginaw County.

Discussion ensued.

2. Marketing Update by the Barckholtz Group

Melinda Shriner, The Barckholtz Group, summarized the Marketing Activities for July 2004 to June 2005.

3. Business Services Team Update

It was reported that the Business Services Team has had two organizational meetings and is in training. The focus is to change the image of Michigan Works! in the business community. Core team members include staff from Arnold Center, Bangor Township Schools, SVRC Industries, Delta Corporate Services and Michigan Works! Administration.

4. RSA Update

It was reported the RSA "Come Back to Nursing" campaign held at SVSU Curtiss Hall on May 19 was a success. Nurses who had left the industry were invited to attend. Over 300 internet responses were received. Invitations were sent to approximately 100 persons; 75 attended. Major hospitals as well as other health care providers were present. Dennis Brieske and Leslie Roth, consultants, are working on a dispatching system which would add nursing clinicals as well as match up students and clinical schedules, thus lessen the waiting period.

Another priority is to expand the Health Care Career Ladders from 15 to 30 occupations. Additional funding has been received from various sources.

ITEM #9 OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

ITEM #10 NEW BUSINESS

A-1. Staff Recommendation to submit Reemployment Services Grant for Program Year 2005/2006

The Board reviewed the staff recommendation to submit the Reemployment Services Plan for Program Year 2005/2006 with a planning allocation of \$69,954, and authorize signatures on the related plan documents.

Motion by John Nagy; Support by Jim Bates;

To approve submittal of the Reemployment Services Plan for Program Year 2005/2006 with a planning allocation of \$69,954, and authorize signatures on the related plan documents.

Motion passed by voice vote.

A-2. Staff Recommendation to submit Employment Services (Wagner-Peyser Act) Plan for Program Year 2005/2006

The Board reviewed the staff recommendation to submit the Employment Services Plan for Program Year 2005/2006 with a planning allocation of \$655,847, and authorize signatures on the related plan documents.

Motion by Ed Dornseifer; Support by Laura Hamilton;

To approve submittal of the Employment Services plan for Program Year 2005/2006 with a planning allocation of \$655,847, and authorize signatures on the related plan documents.

Motion passed by voice vote.

A. Staff recommendation for 05/06 budgets and contractor planning allocations

The Board reviewed the proposed 2005/2006 Administration Office Budget, Information Technology Budget, One-Stop Service Center Budgets, Strategic Planning Budget, and recommended planning allocations (please see pages 6-11).

Discussion ensued.

Motion by Steve Jonas; Support by Ed Dornseifer;

To approve the 2005/2006 Administration Office Budget, Information Technology Budget, One-Stop Service Center Budgets, Strategic Planning Budget and recommended planning allocations.

Motion passed by voice.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

John Nagy stated that he would like to recognize three companies who provided funding as well as star employees for career ladders materials: Dow Chemical, Dow Corning, and Hemlock SemiConductor. Additional career ladder material is forthcoming.

Tim Quinn thanked board members and guests. He stated how much he appreciated all the hard work they have done for the Workforce Development Board.

ITEM #11 ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Bruce Grant; Supported by: Jim Bates:

That the meeting be adjourned.

Motion passed by voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 5:33 p.m.