

**SAGINAW MIDLAND BAY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
MINUTES - APRIL 3, 2007**

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>	<u>MWA STAFF</u>
Ed Dornseifer	Terry King	Dereon Pruitt	Ed Oberski
John Nagy	Gary Shepherd	Tom Begin	Pat Washburn
Mike Beyer	Judy Barber	Jim Bates	Ray Ogden
Talmadge Battle	Robert O'Hara	Kathy Czerwinski	Rose Onan
Ruth Retlewski	Steve Jonas	Gregory Skufca	Gerrit Wierda
Amy Rodriguez	Dave Corcoran	Dave Herrala	Linda Sandefur
Laura Hamilton	Bernell Wiggins	Bruce Grant	
Tim Quinn		Joseph Powe	

GUESTS

Pat Graves, Delta College
Grace Burger, Bangor Twp Schools
Bill Lamere, SVRC Industries, Inc.
Jason Palmer, MDLEG
Lynette Collins, Employment Service
Trisha Andrzejewski, Saginaw FOC
Jennifer Barnes, Saginaw FOC

John Hill
Lillie Williams
Lisa Hadden
Odail Thorns
Yves Hamel

ITEM #1: CALL TO ORDER

In the absence of the Chair, Ed Dornseifer, WDB Vice-Chairman, called the Saginaw Midland Bay Workforce Development Board (WDB) meeting to order at 3:34 p.m. The meeting was held at the Bay County Michigan Works! Service Center, Eugene Gwizdala Room, 4061 No. Euclid Ave., Bay City, Michigan.

ITEM #2: ROLL CALL

The above members were present.

ITEM #3: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

One additional agenda item was added: #8-B: Carl Perkins and Tech Prep.

ITEM #4: AUDIENCE FOR THE PUBLIC

There was no public comment.

ITEM #5: CORRECTING AND APPROVING THE MINUTES

Motion by: Ruth Retlewski; Supported by: Tim Quinn:

That the Board approve the Saginaw Midland Bay Workforce Development Board minutes dated March 6, 2007.

Motion passed by voice vote.

ITEM #6: INTRODUCTIONS

There were no introductions. Patricia Washburn, Assistant Director, announced that she would be retiring. Her last day will be June 29, 2007.

ITEM #7: PRESENTATION:

- A. Powerpoint: Update on Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works Business Services Team.

Gerrit Wierda gave a powerpoint presentation on the Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! Business Services Team.

ITEM #8: ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Staff recommendation to purchase a job seeker data base software system and related services.

The Board reviewed the recommendation to purchase a job seeker data base software system and related services.

Motion by: Tim Quinn; Supported by: Judy Barber:

That the Workforce Development Board authorize Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! to negotiate and enter into a contract with American Government Services for a job seeker data base software system and related services within the parameters of the Request for Proposals and the American Government Services proposal submitted in response.

Motion passed by voice vote.

Staff recommendation to support the Saginaw Valley Tech Prep Partnership 2007-08 Grant Application; Delta College Postsecondary Perkins 2007-08 Grant Application; and Bay-Arenac, Saginaw, Midland Regional Carl Perkins Career Technical Education Grant Application

Pat Graves, Delta College, presented information on the Saginaw Valley Tech Prep Partnership 2007-08 Grant Application, Delta College Postsecondary Perkins 2007-08 Grant Application, and Bay-Arenac, Saginaw, Midland Regional Carl Perkins Career Technical Education Grant Application.

Motion by: Dave Corcoran; Supported by: Terry King:

That the Workforce Development Board support the Saginaw Valley Tech Prep Partnership 2007-08 Grant Application, the Delta College Postsecondary Perkins 2007-08 Grant Application, and Bay-Arenac, Saginaw, Midland Regional Carl Perkins Career Technical Education Grant Application.

Motion passed by voice vote.

ITEM #9: REPORTS

- A. Chairman's Report:

There was no Chairman's Report.

- B. Fiscal Report:

The Board reviewed the Fiscal Reports for February, 2007.

C. Program Reports:

1. The Board reviewed the general program reports for January, 2007.
2. The Board reviewed the FOC performance reports for January, 2007.

D. Directors Report

It was reported that Work First funds may be rescinded by \$10 million (statewide) for the current October 2006 – September 2007 program year. If this happens, the state is looking into replacing the rescinded Work First funds with Workforce Investment Act funds.

A press conference is planned for April 23, 2007 in Saginaw, to highlight the switching of the Work First program to the JET program. Presenters will include the Michigan Department of Human Services, Michigan Rehabilitation Services, Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth, and Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works!.

It was reported that Michigan Works! Association legislative priorities include support of JET/Work First Program, No Worker Left Behind, Community Colleges and Michigan Prisoner Re-Entry Initiative funding.

Steve Jonas, Saginaw Future, was thanked for Saginaw Future's leadership in a facilitating a coordinated effort to meet the immediate and near term needs of Tri-County manufacturers for skilled workers.

Per the Request of WDB Chair Bruce Grant, the Director distributed and explained "The Recommended Planning Allocations-Combined Funds for July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 for WIA and Employment Services; October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2007 for Work First" that was approved by the WDB at its June 2006 meeting. The information illustrates how funding is broken down by county.

It was reported that SVRC, Inc. has elected not to continue as the fiduciary for the local Michigan Prisoner Re-Entry Initiative after September 30, 2007. The Michigan Department of Corrections may select Saginaw Midland Bay Michigan Works! to take over as fiduciary beginning October 1, 2007.

ITEM #10: COMMUNICATIONS

The Board received the DLEG Labor Market Information Report for January 2007.

ITEM # 11: ADJOURNMENT

Motion by: Tim Quinn; Supported by: Ruth Retlewski:

That the meeting be adjourned.

Motion passed by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 4:38 p.m.