

**GREAT LAKES BAY MICHIGAN WORKS!**  
**Executive Committee Minutes**  
**July 31, 2023**

EXEC COMM MEMBERS PRESENT

Trevor Keyes  
Brian McBride  
Carrie Prosowski  
Vaughn Begick  
Jan Bunting  
James Geisler

EXEC COMM MEMBERS ABSENT

Erik Rodriguez  
Gerald Little  
GUESTS  
Olga Pilar – SVRC  
Anna Willman-Onstott – Delta  
College  
Kim Onstott – GIRESD  
Denise Berry - SVRC  
Jerry Russell – Delta College

MWA STAFF

Kristen Wenzel  
Earlene Bohlen  
Craig Clark  
Ray Ogden  
Lisa Kleekamp

**ITEM #1: CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Begick called the Executive Committee Meeting to order Monday, July 31st, 2023, at 3:30 p.m. The meeting was held at the Midland Service Center, 1409 Washington Street, Midland, MI 48640.

**ITEM #2: ROLL CALL**

The above members were present, and a quorum was met.

**ITEM #3: APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chairman Begick presented the Agenda to the Executive Committee. No amendments were made to the Agenda.

Bunting motioned and Keyes supported:

To approve the Agenda as it was presented to the Executive Committee.

The motion was approved by voice vote.

**ITEM #4: AUDIENCE FOR THE PUBLIC**

All members of the audience introduced themselves and are listed above.

**ITEM #5: CORRECTING AND APPROVING THE MINUTES**

None

**Minutes Approved**

ITEM #6: REPORTS/ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Reports:

a) **Going PRO Talent Fund Cycle 2 Awards:**

Interim CEO Wenzel provided an overview and summarization of the reports for the Going PRO Talent Fund Cycle 1 and 2 Awards that were provided to the Executive Committee members. 41 companies and \$1.9 million dollars were awarded for training. The following pages are broken down by counties. Due to another funding source the numbers were decreased in Isabella and Gratiot counties.

Keyes motioned and McBride supported:

The motion was approved by voice vote.

b) **CEO Search – Update:**

Chairman Begick informed members that he reached out to Chairman Boyd who was not available to this time (vacation) and is waiting for a return phone call. More information will be forth coming. The position still needs to be posted.

c) **Changing Administrative/Fiscal Agent – Update:**

Interim CEO Wenzel provided the ongoing process of moving the Administrative/Fiscal Agent from Saginaw County to Isabella County. The projected move is targeted for October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. More information will be forth coming.

d) **MiCareerQuest Middle Michigan – September 29,2023 at SVSU – Save the date:**

Interim CEO Wenzel provided an overview of the MiCareerQuest program and invited all members to participate in the VIP tours at 10 am and 11 am on September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023. She informed the members that they will be receiving an email with a link to register.

B. Action

a) **FY 24 Proposed Budget:**

i) **County Costs:**

Interim CEO Wenzel provided an overview and explanation of the following reports: 2023-2024 Budget Request, Recommended Planning Allocations, Marketing, MWA Consultants, Infotech, and the county costs that were provided to the Executive Committee members.

McBride Motioned and Prosowski supported having the budget presented to the Joint Board of Directors for approval at August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

The motion was approved by voice vote.

C. Discussion

a. Miller Canfield Invoice:

Interim CEO Wenzel updated that executive committee members of the invoice that is still unpaid. Funding is available to pay the invoice. CAO Ogden is working with Chairman Boyd to resolve this issue.

b. Federal Legislative Advocacy:

Interim CEO Wenzel reviewed the changes that are being proposed in the State that would impact Michigan Works WIOA Adult and WIOA Youth programs. She encouraged all the members to respond to the email that she sent out Friday July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

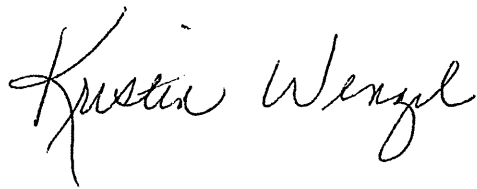
ITEM #7: ADJOURNMENT

Geisler motioned and Keyes supported:

To adjourn the Executive Committee meeting.

The motion passed by voice vote.

Chairman Begick adjourned the Executive Committee meeting at 4:14 p.m.



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Kristen Wenzel, Interim CEO

11/1/2023

Date