

OAKLAND COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING
MAY 5, 2026 - THE IROQUOIS CLUB
BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MICHIGAN

MEMBERS J. Becher, P. Boegner, C. Castiglione, D. Darbyshire, H. Flowers,
PRESENT: T. Hatfield, J. Kerr, A. Lord, L. Royston, S. Shelby, J. Steenbergh,
 (13) W. Thibodeau and G. Wooten

MEMBERS T. Brown, T. Carter, L. Graham, J. Harrington-Davis,
ABSENT A. Kemp-Watkins, L. McCall, J. Petroskey, C. Tribuzio and
W/NOTICE: D. Zaliwski
 (9)

STAFF: J. Llewellyn, K. Arnone, D. Bachman, B. Kalso, D. Lake,
 L. Rivard-Weston, D. Scigaj, and J. St. Henry

OTHERS: Greg Anderson – Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit
 Teresa Brittentine - Oakland County Michigan Works! Pontiac
 Brooke Clancy - Oakland County Michigan Works! Waterford
 Rachel Fuller - Oakland County Michigan Works! Pontiac
 Jill Geyman – Gesher Human Services
 Sherry Kless - Oakland County Michigan Works! Oak Park
 Susan Reetz - Oakland County Michigan Works! Oak Park
 Dan Trudel – Troy School District
 Denise VanHee - Oakland County Michigan Works! Troy
 James Willis – Gesher Human Services

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m. by Chairperson David Darbyshire.

1. Welcome, Call to Order, and Introductions
 David Darbyshire welcomed those present and thanked them for coming. Mr. Darbyshire asked the guests to introduce themselves.
2. ROLL CALL – Quorum Established
3. Previous Minutes
 Motion by C. Castiglione, Supported by H. Flowers

RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE 3/17/26
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING, AS SUBMITTED.

Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote.

4. Manager's Report
 Jennifer Llewellyn updated the Board on the activities of the MWA and state and federal initiatives.

Motions from the Executive Committee Meeting of 5/1/26:

4. The Oakland County Michigan Works! Agency's (MWA's) Program Year 2026 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) One-Stop Operator Recommendations and Fiscal Year 2027 Service Provider Recommendations for the Partnership. Accountability. Training. Hope. (PATH) Program and the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Act Refugee Program (TRP)

Motion by D. Darbyshire, Supported by P. Boegner

RECOMMEND THAT THE OAKLAND COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD:

- A.) SELECT AND CERTIFY, AS WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) ONE-STOP OPERATORS, THE ENTITIES THAT ARE IDENTIFIED IN ATTACHMENT B TO THIS MOTION; AND
- B.) AUTHORIZE THE OAKLAND COUNTY MICHIGAN WORKS! AGENCY'S (MWA'S) ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF TO NEGOTIATE, WITH THE ENTITIES THAT ARE IDENTIFIED IN ATTACHMENT B TO THIS MOTION, SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENTS TO OPERATE MICHIGAN WORKS! (WIOA ONE-STOP) SERVICE CENTERS, AND TO DELIVER AT THE CENTERS, THE WIOA ADULT, DISLOCATED WORKER, AND YOUTH PROGRAMS; THE WAGNER-PEYSER EMPLOYMENT SERVICE (WP-ES); THE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF) PROGRAM; THE REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP EXPANSION (SAE) PROGRAMS; THE REEMPLOYMENT SERVICES AND ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT (RESEA) PROGRAM; THE TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE (TAA) PROGRAMS; RELATED PROGRAMS AND SERVICES; AND, FOR THE GESHER HUMAN SERVICES ONE-STOP CENTER, THE FOOD ASSISTANCE EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING (FAE & T) PROGRAM; AND
- C.) IF THESE NEGOTIATIONS ARE SUCCESSFUL, AUTHORIZE THE MWA'S ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF TO EXECUTE THE FOREGOING AGREEMENTS FOR AMOUNTS THAT WILL BE SUBSEQUENTLY DETERMINED; AND
- D.) AUTHORIZE THE MWA'S ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF TO NEGOTIATE A SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH THE FISCAL YEAR 2027 PARTNERSHIP. ACCOUNTABILITY. TRAINING. HOPE. (PATH) SPECIALIZED SERVICE PROVIDER IDENTIFIED IN ATTACHMENT B TO THIS MOTION; AND

THE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF) ACT REFUGEE PROGRAM (TRP) SPECIALIZED SERVICE PROVIDER IDENTIFIED IN ATTACHMENT C TO THIS MOTION; AND

Motions from the Executive Committee Meeting of 5/1/26: (cont.)

5. The Oakland County Michigan Works! Agency's (MWA's) Program Year 2026 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) One-Stop Operator Recommendations and Fiscal Year 2027 Service Provider Recommendations for the Partnership. Accountability. Training. Hope. (PATH) Program and the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Act Refugee Program (TRP) (cont.)

E.) IF THESE NEGOTIATIONS ARE SUCCESSFUL, AUTHORIZE THE MWA'S ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF TO EXECUTE THE FOREGOING AGREEMENT FOR AN AMOUNT THAT WILL BE SUBSEQUENTLY DETERMINED.

Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote.

6. The Oakland County MWA's Young Professionals (YP) Initiative's Allocation for 3/1/26 – 2/28/27
Motion by P. Boegner, Supported by L. Royston

RECOMMEND THAT THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD APPROVE:

- THE OAKLAND COUNTY MICHIGAN WORKS! AGENCY'S WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) STATEWIDE ACTIVITIES (SWA) ALLOCATION OF \$209,277 FOR THE YOUNG PROFESSIONALS (YP) 2026 INITIATIVE DURING THE PERIOD OF MARCH 1, 2026 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2027; AND
- THE ALLOCATION'S BUDGET, WHICH IS DELINEATED IN THE ATTACHED NARRATIVE.

Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote.

7. The Oakland County MWA's Young Professionals Plus (YPP) Initiative's Allocation for 3/1/26 – 2/28/27
Motion by H. Flowers, Supported by P. Boegner

RECOMMEND THAT THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD APPROVE:

- THE OAKLAND COUNTY MICHIGAN WORKS! AGENCY'S FISCAL YEAR 2026 MICHIGAN GENERAL FUND/GENERAL PURPOSE (GF/GP) ALLOCATION OF \$62,042 FOR THE YOUNG PROFESSIONALS PLUS (YPP) INITIATIVE DURING THE PERIOD OF MARCH 1, 2026 THROUGH FEBRUARY 27, 2027; AND
- THE ALLOCATION'S BUDGET, WHICH IS DELINEATED IN THE ATTACHED NARRATIVE.

Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote.

Motions from the Executive Committee Meeting of 5/1/26: (cont.)

8. The Oakland County MWA's Fiscal Year 2026 Cycle 1 Going Pro Talent Fund Allocation for 1/1/26 – 9/30/27

Motion by S. Shelby, Supported by L. Royson

RECOMMEND THAT THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD APPROVE:

- THE OAKLAND COUNTY MICHIGAN WORKS! AGENCY'S (MWA'S) FISCAL YEAR 2026 CYCLE 1 GOING PRO TALENT FUND ALLOCATION OF \$2,028,942, FOR JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2027; AND
- THE ALLOCATION'S BUDGET, WHICH IS DELINEATED IN THE ATTACHED NARRATIVE.

Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote.

9. Modification #3 to a Professional Services Agreement between the Michigan Works! Association and Oakland County Michigan Works! for 10/1/23 – 9/30/26

Motion by L. Royston, Supported by H. Flowers

RECOMMEND THAT THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD APPROVE MODIFICATION #3 TO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MICHIGAN WORKS! ASSOCIATION AND OAKLAND COUNTY MICHIGAN WORKS!, FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2023 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2026.

Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. March 9, 2026 Email from A. Rodriguez re: Oakland County Michigan Works! Troy
2. March 18, 2026 Letter from SEMCA re: One Workforce Industry Infinity Monitoring Results
3. March 19, 2026 Letter from State of Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity re: Systems Plan
4. March 25, 2026 Email from A. Lord at Michigan Rehabilitation Services
5. March 25, 2026 Letter from L. Chatman Jr. re: Oakland County Michigan Works! Oak Park
6. April 15, 2026 Press Release "Oakland County Partners with Oakland Community College to Highlight Critical Role of Classroom Instruction in Registered Apprenticeship Programs"
7. April 20, 2026 Letter from the Michigan Works! Association re: A Stronger Workforce for America Act
8. April 20, 2026 Press Release "\$4 million investment will support Registered Apprenticeship Training for more than 600 Michiganders."
9. April 22, 2026 Letter from State of Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity re: PATH, Food Assistance Employment and Training, and BRES Monitoring
10. April 29, 2026 Email from F. Freire re: Skilled Immigrant Integration Program
11. Spotlight from Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit – Rachel Fuller at Oakland County Michigan Works! Pontiac

The above communications were reviewed and received and filed by the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment during the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Foregoing minutes subject to approval.

Respectfully submitted:

Debbie Lake, Recording Secretary

Paula Boegner, Secretary