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GOVERNING BOARD
MINUTES
June 12th, 2026

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:20 a.m. by Chair Commissioner Roger Ballard.

Avery, James – Genesee Commissioner	x	Lutz, Bill – Tuscola Commissioner	x
Babcock, Mary – Huron Commissioner	x	Moody, John – Sanilac Commissioner	x
Ballard, Roger – Sanilac Commissioner	x	Murphy, Joe – Huron County Alternate	
Brodeur, Greg– Shiawassee Commissioner	x	Wise, Greg– Lapeer County Alternate	
Haggadone, Brad – Lapeer Commissioner			
Howell, Gary – Lapeer Commissioner	x	Genesee County Alternate	
Khoury, Sami – Huron Commissioner	x	Shiawassee County Alternate	
Koch, Matthew – Tuscola Commissioner	x	Tuscola County Alternate	

Nine (9) members were present. An X indicates present members.
Staff present were Jody Kerbyson, Sharon Bowen, and Kelly Cook.

II. Approval of Agenda

Chair Commissioner Roger Ballard called for approval of the agenda. Commissioner Lutz moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Babcock supported. Chair Commissioner Roger Ballard called for discussion and a vote. All members present voted AYE.
MOTION PASSED

III. Introductions

Introductions were made at the preceding Workforce Development Board (WDB) meeting.

IV. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

V. Action Items

a. Approval of March 13th, 2026, Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Moody moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Commissioner Avery supported. Chair Commissioner Ballard called for discussion and a vote. All members present voted AYE.
MOTION PASSED

b. Approval of today's Workforce Development Board Action Items

Commissioner Lutz moved to approve the action items from today's WDB meeting. Commissioner Avery supported. Chair Commissioner Ballard called for discussion and a vote. All members present voted AYE.
MOTION PASSED

c. Approval of Audit Services

Commissioner Babcock moved to approve the Audit Services recommendation as presented by Kelly Cook. This is a new Audit company. Maner Costerisan is being selected based on the criteria and scoring listed in the RFP. Commissioner Koch supported. Chair Commissioner Ballard called for discussion and a vote. All members present voted AYE.
MOTION PASSED

VI. Financial

a. Kelly Cook reviewed the Agency Budget and Expenditure Reports for July 1st, 2025 – April 30th, 2026, with the members. Chair Commissioner Ballard called for a motion to approve the reports as presented. Commissioner Lutz moved to approve the reports. Commissioner Koch supported. Chair Commissioner Ballard called for discussion and a vote. All members present voted AYE.
MOTION PASSED

b. Kelly Cook reviewed the Agency initial 2026-2027 Fiscal Year Budget for July 1st, 2026 – June 30th, 2027 with the members. Chair Commissioner Ballard called for a motion to approve the reports as presented. Commissioner Howell moved to approve the reports. Commissioner Babcock supported. Chair Commissioner Ballard called for discussion and a vote. All members present voted AYE.
MOTION PASSED

VII. Finance Committee Report

Chair Commissioner Ballard reported that the check run report for March 1st, 2026 – May 31st, 2026, had been reviewed during the Finance Committee meeting, and everything appeared to be in order. Chair Commissioner Ballard called for a motion to approve the report. Commissioner Khoury moved to approve the report. Commissioner Moody supported. Chair Commissioner Ballard called for discussion and a vote. All members present voted AYE.
MOTION PASSED

VIII. Agency Updates

Jody Kerbyson stated that the updates were provided during the preceding Workforce Development Board meeting.

Jody did mention that the Flint lease is coming up at the end of the year. GSTMW! will most likely release a new RFP for space in Flint. We do not anticipate moving out of the building. The landlord is willing to leave the lease amount at the same price per square foot. The current rate is $11.00 per square foot.

IX. Informational Items

Commissioners were asked to turn in their Board Expense Voucher to Kelly or Sharon.

X. Comments/Other Business

No other comments or business were discussed.

XI. Adjournment

Seeing there was no other business, Chair Commissioner Ballard motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:42 a.m. Commissioner Lutz supported the motion. Chair Commissioner Ballard called for a vote. All members present voted AYE.
MOTION PASSED

Next meeting will be held on September 11th, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Howell 9-11-26

Gary Howell, Secretary Date