

Workforce Development Board of North Missouri

Minutes of Meeting

September 9, 2025

Virtual Meeting

The Workforce Development Board of North Missouri met in open session on Tuesday September 9, 2025. The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Allie Bennett at 4:02 PM

Roll call was conducted, and a quorum was established with 10 members present. Two additional Board Members joined after roll call.

Board Members Present

Allie Bennett	Brad Francis	Gregg Roberts*	Julia Birkeness
Julie Jonesx	Amanda Haile	Bobby Barlow	Jeff LaMontia
Alicia Sharpenburg	Sammie Richardson	Shari Schenewerk*	Stepen Garner

**Indicates joined after roll call*

Board Members Absent

Corey Mehaffy	Jerry Smith	Kelly Bordewick	Michael Purol
Scott May	Nichi Seckinger		

Commissioners

Sid Conklin - Randolph County

David Lomax - Marion County

Staff

Brent Stevens	Jeanie Griffin	Darla Shipley
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Guests

Tara Curtis	Erica Davis	Robin Hammond	Anita Jolly
Lenny Klaver	Edith Miller	Robin McHugh	Lynette Saxton
Jennifer Taylor			

Meeting in Open Session

Director Brent Stevens introduced three new Board Members – Brad Francis, Sammie Richardson, and Alicia Sharpenburg.

Consent Agenda

Director Brent Stevens directed Board members to the Consent Agenda which consisted of the Minutes from the June 3rd WDB meeting, Expenditure and Contract Performance

Reports, WDB Progress Report, PY 24 Incentive Budget Line-Item Amendment, and FY 25 Adult Line-Item Amendment.

After reviewing each item, *a motion was made by Julie Jones and seconded by Stephen Garner to approve the items in consent agenda as presented. The motion carried with no opposition.*

MANDATED BUSINESS

New Year Planning Budget Summaries

Director Stevens presented the proposed new year planning budget for the WIOA funds. After discussion, *a motion to approve the budgets as presented was made by Stephen Garner and seconded by Shari Schenewerk. The motion carried with no opposition.*

Budget Transfer (Dislocated Worker to Adult)

Director Stevens presented the proposal to transfer funds from the Dislocated Worker Program to the Adult Program. He stated this transfer moves agency funds to participant line-items. *A motion to approve the proposed transfer was made by Amanda Haile and seconded by Jeff LaMontia. The motion carried with no opposition.*

Carryover Funds Available to Contract

The carryover budget was presented to the Board. The budget indicated the amount of WIOA funds that were carried into PY 25. Director Stevens indicated the proposed split to each of the sub-recipients. After discussion, *a motion was made by Bobby Barlow and seconded by Stephen Garner to approve the carryover budget. The motion carried with no opposition.*

Formation of RFP and One-Stop Certification Committees

Director Stevens reminded the Board the current Service Provider contracts end June 30, 2026. To plan for this, he stated we need to form a small RFP committee that will help develop the RFP. Allie Bennet, Brad Francis, and Jeff LaMontia volunteered to serve on this committee.

Director Stevens also mentioned the Job Centers will need to go through the certification process early next year. The state is updating the guidance on the process, once the guidance is updated, he said he will be seeking volunteers to assist with the process.

UPDATES AND OTHER PROGRAM BUSINESS

Director's Report

Executive Director Brent Stevens shared updates with the Board. The updates included information regarding a recent Business Services Conference he attended, a regional outreach video project, and update on federal appropriations for workforce programs.

Business Services

Business Services team lead Edie Miller was unable to give a report, but Brent shared information on her behalf.

One-Stop Operator Report

One-Stop Operator Dana Keller, was unable to attend the meeting, but Director Stevens shared her report. Information included updates from the June OSO meeting, and information on upcoming meetings.

Success Story

Tara Curtis (Youth Alliance) and Erica Davis (Gamm Inc.) both shared success stories regarding recent participants.

Open Discussion

Shari Schenewerk (DED) mentioned there are a lot of projects happening in North Missouri. She also mentioned an announcement would be coming out on 9/10 regarding an expansion in the region.

A motion was made by Bobby Barlow and seconded by Gregg Roberts to Adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with no objections.

The meeting adjourned at 4:53 PM.