

Vermont State Workforce Development Board
Full Board Meeting Minutes
July 18, 2019
9:30 am – 12:00 pm
Norwich University, Northfield, VT

Board members in attendance: Sen. Alison Clarkson, Diane Dalmasse (proxy: Hugh Bradshaw), Steven Dellinger-Pate, Pat Elmer, Sec. Daniel French (proxy: Dep. Sec. Heather Bouchey), Gerry Ghazi (proxy: Tom McHugh), Scott Giles (proxy: Tom Little), Comm. Joan Goldstein, Adam Grinold, Zach Hatch, Melissa Hersh, Eileen Illuzzi, Joyce Judy (proxy: Tiffany Keune), Ellen Kahler, Comm. Lindsay Kurrle, Dennis LaBounty, Chris Loso, Rep. Matt Hill, Greg Maguire, Dale Miller, Jill Olson, Sec. Michael Schirling (proxy: John Young), Jeb Spaulding, Comm. Mike Touchette (proxy: Kim Bushey), Lynn Vallee, and Dave Wheel

Board members in attendance by phone: Janette Bombardier

Guests in attendance: Mat Barewicz, Sarah Buxton, Marilyn Cargill, Hal Cohen, Dustin Degree, Dep. Comm. Michael Harrington, Maureen Hebert, Jeff Higgins, Michael Keogh, John Lafreniere, Jen Oldham, Eilidh Pederson, Jay Ramsey, Thomas Saylor, Patty Shirk, Roxanne Vought, John Young, and Sophia Yager

Guests in attendance by phone: Mary Branagan

Chair Adam Grinold called the meeting to order at 9:35 am.

Training & Credentialing Work Group: Work Group Co-Chairs Marilyn Cargill and Jay Ramsey gave an overview of the Work Group's final recommendations for the foundation of the future Training & Credentialing Committee of the Board.

[View the Work Group's final recommendations here.](#)

Apprenticeship Partnership: GlobalFoundries & Vermont Technical College: Jeff Higgins (Director, External Degree Programs, VTC) and John Lafreniere (Engineering Operations Manager, GlobalFoundries) gave an overview of their organizations' collaborative Manufacturing Technician Apprenticeship Program.

[View the presentation here.](#)

Partnership Development for Successful Pipelines: Brattleboro Memorial Hospital & Community College of Vermont: Tiffany Keune (Associate Dean of Workforce Education, CCV), Eilidh Pederson (Vice President of Medical Group Management & Population Health, BMH), and Michael Keogh (Business & Community Outreach Manager, CCV) gave an overview of their organizations' collaborative Medical Assistant and Environmental Services programs.

[View the presentation here.](#)

WIOA State Plan Work Group: Work Group Chair Ellen Kahler gave a brief update on the timeline and scope of the group's work. Mat Barewicz (Economic & Labor Market Information Chief, VDOL) then gave an economic and labor market information presentation on possible trends for inclusion in the "Economic, Workforce, and Workforce Development Activities Analysis" section of the 2020 WIOA State Plan, [as brainstormed by the Board at its April 2019](#)

[WIOA State Plan working meeting.](#)

[View the presentation here.](#)

Policy Committee: Hugh Bradshaw (VocRehab, Policy Committee Member) gave an update on the Committee's recent recertification of Vermont's One-Stop American Job Center, including the Committee's recommended areas for improvement on which VDOL will report during upcoming six-month and one-year check ins.

[View the recertification letter here.](#)

H.919 Implementation: Regional Summit Update: Sarah Buxton (Workforce Development Director, VDOL) gave an update on the ongoing planning process for the upcoming regional workforce summits per the recent RFP with the RDCs of Vermont.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Dustin Degree.

Dustin Degree, Executive Director, Vermont State Workforce Development Board