

**Major priorities:**

- MAWB/GWDB Joint Meeting held on December 9, 2020
- Finalized MAWB 2020-20201 Budget for Operations Review and Approval\* *Voting Item*
- **2021 Legislative Session** began January 5—attend committee hearings, track relevant bills, meet with stakeholders.
  - Committees include:
    - House Workforce and Business Development Committee (M/W)
    - Senate Jobs and Economic Growth Committee (M/W)
    - House Housing Finance and Policy Committee (T/Th)
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    - House Preventing Homeless Committee (W)
  - Testified at the House Housing Committee on the role of counties in housing
- **Workforce Development Fund Proposal** from DEED
  - Ongoing work with MAWB Legislative Committee on DEED's proposal
  - Developed one-pager detailing the importance of formula funding to the local boards, and recommended changes to the DW program
  - Coordinated engagement session with DEED leadership and MAWB Executive Committee
  - Next Steps:
    - Full MAWB Membership Meeting with Commissioner Grove, February 4, 1-2pm
    - Convene MAWB and DEED to discuss policy changes to better serve participants and increase diversity—P&I Committee
- **Convened MAWB Committee Chairs** to discuss MAWB Committees purpose and goals
  - Moving towards strategic planning with the support of AMC, need to determine scope and goals
  - Wrapping equity work into priorities of MAWB Committees
  - Identify opportunities for networking between MAWB directors
- Held weekly IFA Check-in calls for Directors to discuss IFA questions/concerns
- Kicked off Joint MAWB/Job Service/VRS/SSB Meetings—Becky serving as lead staff person
- **ABE/Workforce**
  - Held webinar with ABE board representatives on the topic of the IFA
  - Participated in mid-year ABE Supplemental Services Grant Meeting
  - Upcoming:
    - Hosting focus group with new ABE reps
    - MAWB presentation to ABE staff on Workforce 101

