



MAWB Operations Committee

Thursday, April 24, 2025

9:00 AM-2:00 PM

AMC - Boardroom or Virtual

Mission: It is the mission of the Minnesota Association of Workforce Boards to provide Minnesota with a skilled and competitive workforce through engaged and proactive local elected officials, workforce development boards, and staff.

Agenda

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| 9:00 – 9:05 AM | Call to order, approval of minutes and agenda |
| 9:05 – 9:30 AM | Ama Akakpo, Division Director of Employment & Training Programs –
Department of Employment & Economic Development |
| 9:30 – 10:00 AM | Jeanna Fortney, Director of CareerForce MN – Department of Employment &
Economic Development |
| 10:00 – 10:30 AM | MinnesotaWorks.net Replacement Project Update – Ryan Wold, Workforce
Development Product Owner – Department of Employment & Economic
Development |
| 10:30 – 11:30 AM | Data Transformation & Common Exit Project Update – Jay Berger,
Performance Data & Reporting Coordinator – Department of Employment &
Economic Development |
| 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM | Katie McClelland, Director – Governor’s Workforce Development Board |
| 12:00 – 1:00 PM | Lunch & Learn: FutureWork Systems Presentation – Lydia Sullivan, Director of
Client Relations – FutureWork Systems |
| 1:00 – 2:00 PM | Priorities <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Legislative updates, questions for discussion, and next steps (Cate)● Marketing updates, questions for discussion, and next steps (Cate and Committee Members)● Leadership development/technical assistance updates, questions for discussion, and next steps (Elena/Catrice & Mark) Committee reports <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Highlights of recent committee work, and how it ties into priorities identified at retreat● Action items/items for discussion |

Successes/challenges/questions

- How are you using FutureWorks?
- NAWB Forum Recap
- Does anyone do OJTs for current employees (as opposed to new hires)?
Supposedly local boards can set policy to allow it - Elena
- Chambers of Commerce / Hospitals / Utilities – Membership
Classification? - Mark
- VRS Changes – How Are Local Areas Picking Up the Pieces? - Mark
- Serving transgender participants - Elena
- MAWB Regional Planning Grant RPR Process - Bob

2:00 PM**Conclude****Next Meeting: Thursday, May 22, at AMC & via Zoom**