

**Mid America Investment Board
Executive Committee Meeting
America's Job Center - Belleville
September 25, 2025**

Present:

Rich Sauget

Staff:

Rick Stubblefield

Lee Reese

Cindy Layman

Rich called the meeting to order at 8:40 am. There was no quorum present. There was no public comment regarding the agenda.

Lee shared that the SD&O Committee met on 09/16/25 by Zoom, and that there will be a Job Fair hosted by Representative Kevin Schmidt in East St. Louis at the Wyvetter H. Younge Higher Education Campus on November 6, 2025, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Lee gave partner updates which are reflected in the SD&O meeting minutes.

Lee shared that Belleville Township District 201 Schools will be hosting a Career Expo November 18th from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm at the Center for Advanced Vocational Excellence (the CAVE).

Lee shared that the Marketing Committee met 09/17/25 by Zoom. Doug Stewart shared updates on various workforce development initiatives that are the result of his connection with the Make-A-Wish home raffle organized by the Home Builders Association.

Lee discussed the performance report and shared that the performance measures are similar to the last two years, and he saw no concerns.

Lee shared the quarterly services report.

Lee shared the financial report and there was some discussion on encumbrances and the percentages of direct training. Both are on track with no concerns.

Lee shared that workforce is requesting flexibility to move up to 100% of 1D funding to 1A funding.

Lee reminded the committee that the MAWIB Board Officer's election was coming up at the October MAWIB Board meeting. Larry agreed to facilitate the nomination and election process again.

Cindy discussed a request to approve two new training programs for CALC Institute, one for Cyber Security and one for Software Designer.

Cindy presented 2 incumbent worker projects. 1 project with Rainbow International to train 5 employees for certification in Content Processing and USEPA/HUD Lead certifications at a total cost of \$2,806.00. The second with Red Bud Industries to train 15 employees as Machine Repair Techs at a total cost of \$63,023.40. There was discussion on the two projects.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 am.