

Chief Elected Officials Board & Greater Nebraska Workforce Development Board Joint Meeting Minutes

DATE: Thursday April 24th, 2025

LOCATION: Veteran's Memorial Building 810 1st Corso, Nebraska City, NE 68410

Remote: Video Conference

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DURATION: 09:05 am to 12:20 PM

AGENDA ITEM #1: Call to Order

Lisa Wilson, Greater Nebraska Workforce Development Board (GNWDB) Chair, called the GNWDB Meeting to order on April 24th, 2025 1st at approximately 09:05 am (CST).

Bryan Bequette, Chief Elected Officials Board (CEOB) member, called the CEOB meeting to order on April 24th, 2025 1st at approximately 09:05 am (CST).

AGENDA ITEM #2: Roll Call

Jami Canham called the roll for the GNWDB and a quorum was not established. It was noted that a reconvening would need to occur for votes.

GNWDB Members Present (8):

Cristal Dimas
Emily Duncan
Matt Gotschall (Could not vote because of location)
Bernie Hansen
Denise Lemke (Could not vote because of location)
Denise Pfeiffer
Stacey Weaver
Lisa Wilson

GNWDB Members Absent (6):

Kayla Brewer
Mike Gage
AmyGerloff(Resigned)
Sarah Heller-Glen
Greta Kickland
Roy Lamb
Gary Kelly

Jami Canham called the roll for the CEOB and a quorum was established.

CEOB Members Present (3):

Bryan Bequette
Hal Haeker
Joe Hewgley

CEOB Members Absent (0):

Troy Uhler

AGENDA ITEM #3: Notice of Publications

Elliott Cain reported that adequate legal notice of this joint meeting was posted in the Grand Island Independent, Beatrice Daily Sun, and the Scottsbluff Star-Herald. The notice was published in accordance with the Open Meetings Act and a copy was available for review.

AGENDA ITEM #4A.: Approval of Minutes**Greater Nebraska Workforce Development board meeting minutes. October 1st, 2024.**

Stacey Weaver made suggestions to edit. It was noted a vote would take place at the reconvening meeting this there was no quorum.

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Hal Haeker motioned to approve the meeting minutes with corrections. Joe Hewgley seconded. A roll-call vote was called and the motion carried.

CEOB Members For (3):

Bryan Bequette
Hal Haeker
Joe Hewgley

CEOB Members Abstain (0):**CEOB Members Against (0):****CEOB Members Absent (2):**

Troy Uhler

AGENDA ITEM #5: Announcements

Elliott Cain provided announcements including the retirement of Becky Maggart, Michell Schutz stepping down from the OSO position, Andrew Baumgardner hired for the OSO position, Kyle McConnell moving on from his admin position, Elliott Cain becoming interim administrator, Shawn Sims leaving his Regional Manger position.

NEW BUSINESS:**AGENDA ITEM #6B: Board Appointments**

- Elliott Cain reported that Joy Bronson is no longer with Embecta, but is now with Kearney Regional Hospital and qualified to be on the board. She has requested to rejoin the board and the recommendation is reinstate her. Kayla Brewer is no longer with Rare Earth Salts and her current job does not fit board requirements. Josh Hason was laid off from Admas Industries but will be able to rejoin the Board as he is now employed by City of Sydney. Amy Gerloff requested to step away from the board. Brent LeClair will start as Reioignal Manager for North Platte on April 28th. Due to an updated State policy in December 2023, Greater Nebraska had several categories that needed to be filled. 3 Small Business, 6 Large Business, 2

CEOB Members For (3):

Bryan Bequette
Hal Haeker
Joe Hewgley

CEOB Members Abstain (0):**CEOB Members Absent (2):**

Troy Uhler

CEOB Members Against (0):

The Greater Nebraska Workforce Development Board received the following recommendations for committee appointments: Remove Kayla Brewer, Elaine Anderson, Jana Dye and Becky Maggart from systems committee. Remove Alicia Fries, Dan Mauk and Bethanne Kuck from the Strategic Committee. Add Joy Bronson to system, Sarah Heller Glenn to System, Denise Lemke to strategic, Jody Stutzman to Strategic, Josh Hanson to Strategic and Brent Leclair to System.

AGENDA ITEM C. Regional Updates

Managers provided updates and highlights from their respective service delivery areas.

SYSTEM COORDINATION COMMITTEE**AGENDA ITEM #6E: Enrollments**

Bernie Hansen updated the board with enrollments from July 1st 2024 to Dec 31st 2024. There have been 86 new enrollments, which is similar to the number of enrollments from the previous year.

AGENDA ITEM #6G: Active participants by County

Bernie Hansen update the board with Active Participants by County from July 1st 2024 to Dec 31st 2024. Total Active for all counties was 346, slightly above last year.

AGENDA ITEM #6H: Priority of Service

Bernie Hansen updated the board on Priority of Service for Q1 and Q2. Adult enrollments at 77.4% of enrollments have been priority level 1, 2, or 3. We had 10 Youth enrollments that required Additional Assistance

AGENDA ITEM #6I: Performance

Bernie Hansen updated the board on Performance. PY24 Q1 performance for the state is located on page 41, followed by Greater Nebraska on page 42. PY24 Q2 performance for the state can be found on page 45, with Greater Nebraska on page 46.

Greater Nebraska's Adult program is doing well with an overall score of 91.16%. The Dislocated Worker program is exceeding goals in four out of five areas, with 100.49%. In Quarter 1, the Youth program scored 77.74%. Adult performance improved in Quarter 2, reaching 104.99%, and DLW also increased to 106.93%. The Youth program showed some improvement in certain areas, ending Q2 with a score of 73.15%.

AGENDA ITEM #6J: Internal Audits/Local Monitoring

Janell Daughenbaugh walked the Board through the new local area monitoring report as presented to the System Coordination Committee.

AGENDA ITEM #6K: Complaint System

Bernie Hansen update the Board on the Complaint System. In Greater Nebraska, we received 21 complaints from July to December. 48% percent were ES Employer Related, while 33% were non-ES other and 9% were ES Agency related.

AGENDA ITEM #6L: Local Plan

Elliott Cain provided an update on the Draft of the Local Plan and how two versions had been submitted for review, posted online for public comment and how an in person public comment was planned for April 29th at the Beatrice AJC.

AGENDA ITEM #6M: Policy

Elliott Cain updated the Board on the new proposed policy changes on Monitoring, Priority of Service, Training Limits, and Work Based Learning/On the Job training as presented to the System Coordination Committee.

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

AGENDA ITEM #6N: Finance Report

Elliott Cain updated the board on the Finance Report regarding PY23 funds that would expire in June of 2025, current obligations and activities funded from July 1st 2024 to March 31st 2025.

One Stop Operations

AGENDA ITEM #6O: One Stop Operator Report

Andrew Baumgardner updated on the board as the One Stop Operator. He discussed newly registered job seekers in NE, partner referrals, program enrollments and co enrolled participants.

AGENDA ITEM #6P: Partner Programs

Andrew Baumgardner discussed the success stories from the Board Book, Jami Canham discussed SNAP and Next Step, Becca Tangeman updated the board on SCSEP.

AGENDA ITEM #6Q: Letters of Support

Andrew Baumgardner updated the board on a letter of support from Vocational Rehabilitation Specialists Inc.

AGENDA ITEM #6R: Regional Plan

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AGENDA ITEM #6S: Customer Satisfaction Survey Results

Andrew updated the board on customer satisfaction survey results. 80 responses were received from July to Dec 2024.

AGENDA ITEM #6T: Employer Satisfaction Survey Results

Andrew updated the board on employer satisfaction survey results 22 responses were received from July to Dec 2024. A majority of respondents received services in person with a median driving distance of almost 20 miles. NERes and SNAP were the most common enrollments.

AGENDA ITEM #7: PUBLIC COMMENT

Lisa Wilson requested public comments for the Greater Nebraska Workforce Development Board. There were none.

Bryan Bequette requested public comments for the Chief Elected Officials Board. There were none.

AGENDA ITEM #8: UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Lisa Wilson reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule:

September 18, 2025	10 a.m. – 12 p.m. (CT)	Scottsbluff	GNWDB & CEOB
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March 18, 2026	10a.m – 12 p.m. (CT)	Columbus	GNWDB & CEOB
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AGENDA ITEM #9: ADJOURNMENT:

Since there was no quorum for the GNWDB, no motion to move to adjourn. Noted need to reconvene.

Hal Haeker motioned to adjourn the CEOB Meeting. Joe Hewgley seconded. A CEOB roll-call vote was taken, and the motion carried. The GNWDB meeting was adjourned at 12:20 pm (CST).

CEOB Members For (3):

Bryan Bequette
Hal Haeker
Joe Hewgley

CEOB Members Abstain (0):

CEOB Members Against (0):

CEOB Members Absent (1):

Troy Uhler

