



The Workforce Connection Board and Chief Elected Officials

The Workforce Connection, Inc.

Local Workforce Innovation Board

Serving Boone, Stephenson, and Winnebago Counties

Meeting Date: Tuesday, March 4, 2025

Time: 8:00 am to 9:30 am

Location: NIU Conference Center, 8500 E. State Street, Rockford, Illinois

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Mission Statement

The Workforce Connection is committed to providing a workforce that meets the needs of the business community now and in the future.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

a. TWC Board

Michelle Cassaro, TWC Board Chair

b. Chief Elected Officials

Mayor Thomas McNamara, CEO Chair

2. Roll Call

a. TWC Board

b. Chief Elected Officials

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes-TWC Board & CEO Action Item (Voice Vote)

a. TWC Board Meeting Minutes – 12/03/2024

Michelle Cassaro, TWC Board Chair

b. CEO Meeting Minutes – 12/03/2024

Mayor Thomas McNamara, CEO Chair

4. Training Provider and Program Approvals and Re-Approvals-TWC Board & CEO Action Item (Voice Vote)

Chris Oysti

5. Program Year 2024 Mid-Year Budget Modification-TWC Board & CEO Action Item (Roll Call Vote)

6. Request for Proposals – One-Stop Operator & Title 1-B Career Services for Adults, Dislocated Workers, and Trade

Dr. Gina Caronna, President & CEO

7. Finance

Paul Nolley, Finance Committee Chair

a. Finance Report – January 2025

b. AUP Audit Report – July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024

c. Community Foundation -12/31/2024 Update

8. Rockford Barbell Presentation

Elliot Ganet

9. Board Chair's Remarks

Michelle Cassaro

10. President & CEO's Remarks

Dr. Gina Caronna

11. Member Comments

12. Board Member Engagement Opportunities

Dr. Gina Caronna

13. Public Comment

14. Adjournment

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