



## **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, June 2, 2026

**Time:** 8:00 am to 9:00 am

**Location:** Chicago Rockford International Airport – Greater Rockford Airport Authority  
Administration Office, 60 Airport Drive, 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**

- TWC Board
- Chief Elected Officials

Michelle Cassaro, TWC Board Chair  
Mayor Thomas McNamara, CEO Chair

#### **2. Roll Call**

- TWC Board
- Chief Elected Officials

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

- a. TWC Board Meeting Minutes – 04/07/2026
- b. CEO Meeting Minutes – 04/07/2026

Michelle Cassaro, TWC Board Chair  
Mayor Thomas McNamara, CEO Chair

#### **4. Board Member Recognition**

Michelle Cassaro

#### **5. Recommendation of One-Year Renewal of One-Stop Operator and Career Services Provider Subaward - TWC Board & CEO Action Item (Voice Vote)**

Michelle Cassaro

#### **6. Recommendation of One-Year Renewal of Youth Provider Subaward - TWC Board & CEO Action Item (Voice Vote)**

Michelle Cassaro

#### **7. Approval of Illinois Workforce Association Membership - TWC Board & CEO Action Item (Voice Vote)**

Michelle Cassaro

- 8. Approval of Training Provider/Program Approvals and Reapprovals - TWC Board & CEO Action Item (Voice Vote)** Emily Welsh, Grant Compliance Manager
- 9. Program Year 2026 Preliminary WIOA Budget (*Informational Item*)** Paul Nolley
- 10. TWC Winnebago County Lease Award (*Informational Item*)** Michelle Cassaro
- 11. Finance** Paul Nolley
- Finance Report – April 2026
  - Community Foundation 03/31/2026 Update
- 12. Internship Presentation** Michelle Cassaro
- 13. Board Chair’s Remarks** Michelle Cassaro
- 14. President & CEO’s Remarks** Dr. Gina Caronna
- 15. Member Comments**
- 16. Board Member Engagement Opportunities** Berenice Jaquez
- 17. Public Comment**
- 18. Adjournment**

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