



## Workforce Solutions Brazos Valley Board Meeting

Thursday, August 25, 2025 -12:00 PM

Center for Regional Services

Board Room/Via: ZOOM

3991 East 29<sup>th</sup> Street, Bryan, TX 77802

### MINUTES

#### Member

Amy Jurica  
 Andy York  
 Angie Alaniz  
 Ann Boney  
 Ann Chapman  
 Allison Best  
 Bert Miller  
 Bill Ard  
 Bill Parten  
 Billy Wilson  
 Christopher Densey  
 Crystal Crowell  
 Dianne Ryder  
 Elena Fortaneli  
 Frank Perez  
 Jared Patout  
 John Brieden III  
 Josh Isenhour  
 Liz Dickey  
 Mary Hensley  
 Mary Valadez  
 Melinda Berlan  
 Michael Anderson  
 Nester Leamon  
 Robert Orzabal  
 Roby Somerford  
 Silas Garrett

#### Representing

Private Sector - Burleson  
 CBO - Brazos  
 Post-Secondary Education Representative – Brazos Valley Region  
 CBO-Brazos  
 Burleson  
 Nucor Corporation  
 Private Sector - Grimes  
 TWC – Public Employment – Brazos Valley Region  
 Adult Basic & Continuing Education – Madison  
 Garrett Mechanical  
 Private Sector – Child Care Representative - Brazos  
 Vocational Rehabilitation Representative - Brazos  
 Vice-Chair-Private Sector-Leon  
 Private Sector – Madison  
 Grimes  
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 Private Sector – Washington  
 Private Sector - Brazos  
 CBO – Brazos  
 Literacy Representative – Washington  
 Public Sector – Public Assistance Regional  
 Private Sector – Robertson  
 Public Sector - Economic Development – Leon  
 Private Sector-Robertson  
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#### Attendance

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#### Guest Attendees

Dora Lopez  
 Gayle Mann  
 Latrecia Williams  
 Deidra Simmons  
 Brenda Burns  
 Collette Champagne  
 Kristina Polk  
 Juana Cedillo  
 Andrea De La Garza  
 Manuel Ugues  
 Manuela Zarte  
 Becky Collet  
 Marcus Bollinger

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#### Staff Attendance

Roger Sheridan, Vonda Morrison, Barbara Clemmons, Karen Sanders, Summer Knight, Ydalia Rosas,  
 Tiffany Love, Janet Dudding, Sarah DeLeon  
 Zoom: Michelle Beckdol, Jodi Cobler

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Workforce Solutions Brazos Valley Board Meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm by Chair Robert Orzabal.

Members were able to attend the meeting via Zoom or call in by location (346) 248-7799 (Houston) Meeting ID: 883 1132 4013 with passcode: 381455. Board members accessing zoom utilized the chat function to confirm attendance and verified phone numbers of those that called in and acknowledged as attending.

**II. INTRODUCTIONS**

The new Workforce Solutions Texas Rising Star Mentor, Sarah DeLeon, was introduced.

**III. Public Comment**

**IV. Consider for Approval: Previous Board Meeting Minutes**

- A. Board Meeting Minutes for June 25, 2025, were presented by Chair Robert Orzabal. A motion to accept the minutes with the correction of Bill Parten abstaining on item B, was made by Mr. Bill Parten and seconded by Mr. Josh Isenhour. Motion carried.

**V. Monthly Reporting of Services**

**A. Review of The FY 26 Preliminary Budget**

Ms. Michelle Beckdol presented the FY 26 Preliminary Budget.

The floor was open for discussion.

A motion to accept the FY26 Conservative Preliminary Budget was made by Mr. Silas Garrett and was seconded by Ms. Angie Alaniz. Motion Carried.

**B. Financial Reporting of Workforce Services**

Ms. Michelle Beckdol presented the Workforce financial report through June 2025. She reported that 5 contracts are underspent all ending in 2025 with all other contracts on target. Two contracts received additional funds, and two new contracts began in July ending in June 2027.

The floor was open for discussion.

**C. Program Director Report**

Ms. Vonda Morrison reported that performance is doing very well overall with almost all measures either meeting or exceeding. A success story from a SNAP client obtaining training and securing a job was shared and the Monthly Service Reports were reviewed. The floor was then opened for discussion.

## **VI. Regular Meeting Agenda**

The following recommendations for approval were presented, discussed, and voted on:

- A. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Update of Board Policy AEL Data Management and Documentation  
A Motion to accept item A was made by Mr. Roby Somerford and seconded by Mr. Silas Garrett with Bill Parten abstaining.  
Motion carried.
- B. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Renewal and Negotiation of SERCO's Contract to deliver child Care Services for FY26  
A motion to accept item B as written was made by Mr. Silas Garrett and seconded by Ms. Elena Fortaneli with Bill Parten Abstaining.  
Motion carried.
- C. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Renew and Negotiate SERCO's Contract to Deliver Workforce Center Services and Business Services for FY26  
A motion to accept item as written was made by Mr. Silas Garrett and seconded by Ms. Amy Jurica.  
Motion carried.
- D. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Lease of Space for the Grimes County, Robertson County and Washington County Workforce Center Offices  
A motion to accept item D was made by Mr. Bert Miller and seconded by Ms. Angie Alaniz.  
Motion carried.

## **VII. Executive (Closed) Session**

**12:33-12:44(return to open session), 12:58-1:03**

The Board entered Executive Session at 12:33 to discuss the following items:

- Item B: Renewal and negotiation of SERCO's contract to deliver Child Care Services for FY26.
- Item C: Renewal and negotiation of SERCO's contract to deliver Workforce Center Services and Business Services for FY26.

The Board ended Executive Session at 12:44 and returned to open session.

The Board re-entered Executive Session at 12:58.

The Board ended Executive Session at 1:03 and adjourned the meeting.

## **VIII. Meeting adjourned**

Chair Orzabal adjourned the meeting at 1:03 pm