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Tuesday, January 30, 2024 • 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Members: Jim Fisher (Chairperson), Nora Balgoyen, Mark Bergsma, Jay Dunwell, Jeran Culina, Milinda Ysasi, Marcus Keech

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| 1. Welcome and Call to Order | |
| 2. Approval of October 17, 2023 Minutes | Action Required |
| 3. Governor Whitmer 2024 State of the State Address (January 24, 2024) | Discussion Item |
| 4. Michigan Works! Association (MWA) Legislative Day (March 13, 2024) | Discussion Item |
| 5. National Association of Workforce Boards (NAWB) Forum (March 23-26, 2024) | Discussion Item |
| 6. Legislative Visits/Tours | Information Item |
| 7. Updates from Members | Discussion Item |
| 8. Other Business | |

Next Scheduled Legislative Committee Meetings:

April 16, 2024

July 16, 2024

October 15, 2024

November 2024-TBD

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Tuesday, October 17, 2023 ▪ 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

MINUTES

Members: Jim Fisher (Chairperson), Nora Balgoyen, Mark Bergsma, Jay Dunwell, Jeran Culina, Milinda Ysasi, Marcus Keech

Present: Jim Fisher, Jeran Culina, Mark Bergsma, Jay Dunwell, Jacob Maas, Angie Barksdale, Janette Monroe

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1. Welcome and call to order by Chairperson, Jim Fisher at 10:01 a.m.
Jim requested introductions from those in attendance.
2. Approval of July 18, 2023 Minutes **Action Required**
Motion – Mark Bergsma
Second – Jay Dunwell
Item Approved by Vote – Motion carried.
3. Approval of 2024 Meeting Schedule **Action Required**
Janette Monroe, Executive Assistant reviewed the 2024 meeting schedule provided in the packet. Discussion took place on that if adjustments are needed throughout the year, those will be made in advance.
Motion – Mark Bergsma
Second – Jeran Culina
Item Approved by Vote – Motion carried.
4. State Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Supplemental **Discussion Item**
Jacob Maas reviewed the State Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Budget memo update provided in the packet. Discussion took place and Jacob and Angie answered board members' questions related to Going Pro Talent Fund (GPTF), training programs, other various funding streams, childcare, apprenticeships, and policies.
5. Legislative Service Center Tours **Discussion Item**
Discussion took place on past, present and future legislative visits. Representative Chris Fitzgerald recently attended a tour visit at the Grand Rapids NW Service Center. Staff are currently working on scheduling a couple more visits/tours over the next several months.
6. Update from Members. **Discussion Item**
Jacob Maas provided some additional information on Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and Wagner-Peyser (WP).

Jeran Culina provided insight on policies, bills, and workforce developments at the national level.

Angie Barksdale reported that she is attending the National Skill Coalition (NSC) Skills in the States convening in November, with a small delegation from Michigan.

- 7. Other Business – None.
- 8. Adjournment at 10:55 a.m. by Jim Fisher. Next meeting is scheduled for January 16, 2024.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Legislative Committee

FROM: Jacob Maas, Chief Executive Officer

DATE: January 23, 2024

RE: 2024 Michigan Works! Association (MWA) Legislative Day

The annual Michigan Works! Legislative Day, set to take place on **Wednesday, March 13, 2024**, in Lansing.

Event Details:

- **Date:** Wednesday, March 13, 2024
- **Location:** Heritage Hall, Michigan Capitol Building, Lansing
- **Start Time:** 8:30 a.m. (Board of Directors meeting, Registration starts at 8:00 a.m.)
- **Lawmaker Visits will be scheduled throughout the day. Lunch is provided.**
- **Dinner:** 5:30pm

The day will commence with the Michigan Works! Association Board of Directors meeting at 8:30 a.m., followed by a series of engaging meetings, discussions, and networking opportunities. We are eager to have your insights, experiences, and perspectives contribute to these meaningful conversations.

First Name	Last Name	District	Visits	Counties
Thomas	Albert	18	follow up	Allegan (part of), Barry, Calhoun (part of), Ionia (part), Kalamazoo (part), Kent (part)
Aric	Nesbitt	20	3/15/2023	Allegan (part of), Berrien (part of), Kent (part of), Van Buren (part)
Winnie	Brinks	29	5/18/20230 SE Svc Center	Kent (part of)
Mark	Huizenga	30	3/15/2023	Kent (part of)
Roger	Victory	31	3/15/2023	Allegan (part of), Ottawa (part of)
Jon	Bumstead	32	3/15/2023	Muskegon (part of)
Rick	Outman	33	follow up	Ionia (part), Kent (part), Lake (part), Montcalm, Muskegon (part), Newaygo, Ottawa (part)
First Name	Last Name	District		
Joey	Andrews	38	follow up	Allegan (part), Berrien (part), VanBuren (part)
Pauline	Wendzel	39	follow up	Allegan
Matt	Hall	42	3/15/2023 need to reschedule visit	Allegan
Rachelle	Smit	43	3/14/2023-Leg Day	
Gina	Johnsen	78	4/21/2023- Barry Svc Center	Allegan, Barry
Angela	Rigas	79	follow up	Kent, Barry, Ionia
Phil	Skaggs	80	follow up	Allegan, Kent, Barry
Rachel	Hood	81	follow up	Kent (part of)
Rachel	Hood	81	3/15/2023	Kent (part of)
Kristian	Grant	82	7/14/2023-SE Svc Center	Kent (part of)
John	Fitzgerald	83	3/15/2023	
John	Fitzgerald	83	9/18/2023-NW Svc Center	Kent (part of)
Carol	Glanville	84	5/26/2023- NW Svc Center	Kent (part of)
Bradley	Slagh	85	3/15/2023	Ottawa (part of)
Nancy	DeBoer	86	follow up	Allegan (part of), Ottawa (part of)
Will	Snyder	87	3/3/2023 - Muskegon 3/15/2023 12/8/2023 - Scherdel	Muskegon (part of)
Greg	VanWoerkom	88	3/3/2023 3/15/2023 4/28/2023 - Holland Svc Center	Muskegon (part of); Ottawa (part of)
Luke	Meerman	89	3/15/2023	Kent (part of), Muskegon (part of), Ottawa (part of)
Bryan	Posthumus	90	follow up	Kent (part of)
Pat	Outman	91	follow up	Ionia (part of), Kent (part of), Montcalm (part of)
Graham	Filler	93	follow up	Ionia (part of), Montcalm (part of)
Curt	VanderWall	102	follow up	Muskegon (part of)
First Name	Last Name	District		
John	Moolenaar	MI-02	3/28/2023 5/3/2023 - NSC 8/4/2023 - Barry Svc Center	Barry, Clare, Eaton (part of), Gladwin, Gratiot, Ionia, Isabella, Kent (part of), Lake, Manistee, Mason, Mecosta, Midland(part), Montcalm, Muskegon (part), Newaygo, Oceana, Osceola, Ottawa (part), Wexford (part)
Hillary	Scholten	MI-03	3/28/2023 5/4/2023 - Muskegon Svc Center	Kent (part), Muskegon (part), Ottawa (part)
Bill	Huizenga	MI-04	pending 2024	Allegan, Berrien (part), Calhoun (part), Kalamazoo
Debbie	Stabenow	MI	3/28/2023 - NAWB	
Gary	Peters	MI	3/28/2023 - NAWB	
Tim	Walberg	MI-05	5/3/2023 - NSC	
Congr. Bobby	Scott	VA	5/3/2023 - NSC	